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WASHINGTON.

A Skillful Attempt to Defraud the Treasury Frustrated.

The Consular Appropriation Bill Passed by the Senate.

Debate in the House on the Internal Revenue Bill.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Feb. 3.

Some time since a letter was received at the office of the Treasurer of the United States, from the Receiver of the Land Office at Bayfield, Wis., announcing that, in accordance with instructions, he had mailed to RICHARD V. CLINTON, banker, at Washington, D. C., the sum of $1,075 75, the writer inclosing a certificate of the Register testifying to the same. As no letter had been sent from the Department conveying any such instructions, the matter at once excited careful attention, for the purpose of frustrating any frauds intended to be imposed upon the Government, and also to secure from dishonest parties whatever amounts might have been sent in accordance with these instructions, which, without being seen at the Treasurer's office, were at once regarded as forgeries. A package containing checks, amounting to over $6,000, which had not been called for, and addressed as stated in the Register's letter to the Treasurer, was found at the Post Office in this city, and measures taken which secured the Government from much loss in that case. A few days later another letter was received here from the same official inclosing the Register's certificate of money mailed to RICHARD V. CLINTON, amounting to over $1,800. The amounts named in both letters were duly received at the Post Office here, and, although not immediately given, delivered to the Treasury authorities, and means were taken to prevent any loss whatever to the Government. An agent of the Department was made acquainted with all the facts of the case, and dispatched to Deerfield. After an interview with the Receiver he obtained the pretended instructions to which the Receiver alluded in his letter to the Department, and which he had accepted as genuine. These were inclosed in a white envelope addressed to the Register and Receiver at Bayfield, on the right hand of which was printed, "Comptroller's Office, official business," and franked with a signature purporting to be that of R. W. TAYLOR, the First Comptroller. The forged instructions were written in a straggling hand on a sheet of foolscap, and say:

"With a view to reducing the expense of depositing the public moneys, it has been ordered by the Honorable Secretary of this Department, that Receivers of public moneys remotely situated from the depositories, be instructed to forward the funds by mail. Therefore, it is directed that the Register and Receiver will, from time to time, count the funds in the latter's possession, and when the same shall amount to $1,000 and upward, they shall immediately be placed in a strong paper, wrapped and mailed to the address of RICHARD V. CLINTON, banker, Washington. The Receiver will pay the postage on each package, and in his account, as disbursing agent, charge the United States the same. The Register will then present when the package is mailed, and give the regular certificates in triplicate, as perform herewith inclosed, on similar paper, and in same handwriting.

The above change in the present system of placing the moneys in the hands of the United States Treasury has been adopted for the reason that the Government is now paying over 8 per cent. on the average for every dollar deposited by Receivers distant from the depositories."

To this is appended the forged signature of the First Comptroller, while there is indorsed upon the back of the letter what purports to be in the handwriting of Gen. SPINNER, and a bungling attempt at copying his autograph, a statement to the effect that he had examined the within and approved the same; and also suggesting that the Register and Receiver be allowed compensation for their trouble. The whole matter bears evidence of having been prepared by some one who is familiar with the business of the Department, though not sufficiently so to enable him to enter more fully into details. The checks which were received from the Post Office Department, although indorsed payable to the order of RICHARD V. CLINTON, were paid by the drawees at New-York, on the assurance of the Treasurer that he would hold them harmless in the transaction. When the amounts, including United States checks, were recovered from the Post Office here, they were placed by the Treasurer to the credit of the Receiver who had been imposed upon. About the time the above letters were received at Washington, a party named HENRY W. V. CLINTON was arrested at Panama on a charge of passing forged bills of Exchange, and it is surmised that he may be the same party that sent the fraudulent instructions to the Receiver. The package of checks was in the Post Office here some days, and it was owing to the absence of CLINTON from the city that they were recovered by the Government.

THE ALASKA INVESTIGATION.

The Alaska investigation was further continued to-day by the examination of F. P. STANTON, Esq., who testified regarding certain conversations which occurred between himself and a certain correspondent at the time the Alaska appropriation was pending. The Committee have about concluded the testimony and will make their report at an early day.

GOLD CONTRACTS AND THE FIVE-TWENTIES.

The Ways and Means Committee had under consideration, to-day, Mr. SCHENCK'S bill, legalizing gold contracts, and declaring the principal of the five-twenties payable in coin. The Committee will agree to the bill, but it will not be portended to the House before next week. The discussion on it will be very vigorous. But a dozen of the ablest financial men in the House were consulted on the measure before it was introduced, and agreed to its features. It will, therefore, receive such a general support from these sources as almost to insure its passage.

THE OVERLAND MAILS.

The Investigating Committee will report soon on the Wells-Fargo contract. They have about concluded the examination of witnesses. The charges recently put forth that the Committee have refused to examine certain witnesses, and that agents of the Company are allowed to frame questions and answers for witnesses, are wholly untrue. The Committee have summoned every witness called for, even to the extent of names mentioned in anonymous letters, so that there might be no cause for charging a lack of vigor or diligence on their part. The accusation is inspired by the refusal of the Committee to summon two witnesses from San Francisco, at a cost of $1,000 each, who could not get here before the close of Congress, and who desire to make a trip to Washington at Government expense. The same testimony that they could give is within reach of the Committee at a cost of $2 20.

CONNECTICUT RIVER BRIDGES.

The House to-day legalized the two proposed bridges over the Connecticut at Middletown, and on the New-London shore line. The bills passed just as reported from the Committee on Roads and Canals, the amendments of Mr. HUBBARD whereby grievances against the structures might be taken to the Courts having failed.

THE PRINTING CONTRACT.

The report of the Printing Committee on frauds on the stationery contracts of the Interior Department was such a comple exposition of the looseness of the contract system as now enforced, that the House passed, without a division a joint resolution instructing the Secretary of the Interior to make no further payment on the contract of Messrs. DEMPSEY and O'TOOLE, and also a bill empowering the Joint Committee on Printing hereafter to make all contracts for stationery for all the Departments.

THE NEW SENATE.

Hon. ARTHUR I. BOREMAN was to-day chosen Senator from West Virginia, and the elections of members of the United States Senate for the next Congress are now complete, with the exception of the States of Virginia, Mississippi and Texas, not yet reconstructed. The list of members, with the date of the expiration of their terms of office, is as follows, the names of Democrats being printed in *italics*:

MAINE.		ARKANSAS.	
W. Pitt Fessenden	1871	Alex. McDonald	1871
Hannibal Hamlin	1875	Benj. F. Rice	1873
NEW-HAMPSHIRE.		TENNESSEE.	
Aaron H. Cragin	1871	Joseph S. Fowler	1871
Jas. W. Patterson	1873	Wm. G. Brownlow	1875
VERMONT.		KENTUCKY.	
Justin S. Morrill	1873	*Thos. C. McCreery*	1871
Geo. F. Edmunds	1875	*Garrett Davis*	1873
MASSACHUSETTS.		WEST VIRGINIA.	
Henry Wilson	1871	Waltman T. Willey	1871
Charles Sumner	1875	Arthur I. Boreman	1875
RHODE ISLAND.		OHIO.	
Henry B. Anthony	1871	John Sherman	1873
William Sprague	1875	*Allen G. Thurman*	1875
CONNECTICUT.		MICHIGAN.	
Orris S. Ferry	1873	Jacob M. Howard	1871
W. A. Buckingham	1875	Zach. Chandler	1875
NEW-YORK.		INDIANA.	
Roscoe Conkling	1873	Oliver P. Morton	1873
Reuben E. Fenton	1875	Daniel D. Pratt	1875
NEW-JERSEY.		ILLINOIS.	
Alex. G. Cattell	1871	Richard Yates	1871
John P. Stockton	1875	Lyman Trumbull	1873
PENNSYLVANIA.		WISCONSIN.	
Simon Cameron	1873	Timothy O. Howe	1873
John Scott	1875	Matt. H. Carpenter	1875
MARYLAND.		MINNESOTA.	
George Vickers	1873	*Daniel S. Norton*	1871
Wm. T. Hamilton	1875	Alex. Ramsey	1875
DELAWARE.		IOWA.	
Willard Saulsbury	1871	James W. Grimes	1871
Thomas F. Bayard	1875	James Harlan	1873
NORTH CAROLINA.		MISSOURI.	
Joseph C. Abbott	1871	Chas. D. Drake	1873
John Pool	1875	Carl Schurz	1875
SOUTH CAROLINA.		KANSAS.	
Thos. J. Robertson	1871	Edmund G. Ross	1871
Fred. A. Sawyer	1873	Sam'l. C. Pomeroy	1873
GEORGIA.		NEBRASKA.	
Homer V. M. Miller	1871	John M. Thayer	1871
Joshua Hill	1873	Thomas W. Tipton	1875
FLORIDA.		NEVADA.	
Thos. W. Osborn	1873	James W. Nye	1873
Abijah Gilbert	1875	Wm. M. Stewart	1875
ALABAMA.		CALIFORNIA.	
Willard Warner	1871	Cornelius Cole	1873
Geo. E. Spencer	1873	*Eugene Casserly*	1875
LOUISIANA.		OREGON.	
John S. Harris	1871	Geo. H. Williams	1871
Wm. Pitt Kellogg	1873	Henry W. Corbett	1873

RECAPITULATION.—(Georgia omitted, its Senators not having been admitted)—Republicans, 56; Democrats, 10.

Of the fourteen new Senators, ten are new to the halls of Congress. Eleven Senators and five Representatives of the Winter session (1860-61) next preceding the war, are now in the Senate. The Senators of Maine, Massachusetts and Iowa are the same as ten years ago. Mr. SUMNER is "father of the Senate," by virtue of eighteen years' continuous service. To Mr. HAMLIN'S thirteen years as Senator should be added four years as Vice-President. Mr. CAMERON'S service, alternating all his colleagues, is yet only ten years.

THE AIR-LINE RAILROAD.

The Committee on Roads and Canals consumed most of the morning hour in considering the subject of the Air-Line Railroad to New-York, upon which Mr. COOK, Chairman of the Committee, made a speech favoring the project. The House has once passed a bill of this kind.

THE HOWARD UNIVERSITY.

A short time since Rev. Dr. SUNDERLAND, President of Howard University, asked EDWARD CLARK, Esq., an architect of the Capitol, and A. B. MULLETT, Supervising Architect of the Treasury Department, to examine the condition of the main building of the University, and inspect the material of which it was constructed, they gave a verbal opinion at the time that if the outside were well oiled or painted, so as to render it impervious to moisture, it might stand for years. At the same time they were furnished with specimen bricks of the material used, taken from the lower and more exposed portions of the building. After testing these specimens, Mr. MULLETT wrote the following letter:

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26, 1869.

To Rev. R. S. Sunderland, President of Howard University:

MY DEAR SIR: I have just tested the specimen brick you had taken from the building yesterday, and I find that it is no better than the sample you saw tested in my office. Indeed, I washed it to pieces in a bucket of water within two minutes. I must confess that I am surprised and disappointed at this result, and while, as you know, I feel reluctant to be considered an alarmist, I must say that after my experiment I cannot recommend that the occupancy of the building be continued. It may last many years if painted as I suggested yesterday, but I believe that a single severe storm would leave it a ruin if it occurred after a continued rain. Under these circumstances I must withhold my qualified assent to the occupancy of the building that I gave yesterday, and say that I cannot recommend that you take any responsibility in the case. I regret exceedingly that I have been unable to come to any other conclusion.

I remain, with great respect,

A. B. MULLETT,
Supervising Architect.

Mr. CLARK also wrote a letter withdrawing his qualified opinion as to the safety of the building. The brick he tested after immersion was easily broken to pieces with a slight tap of a hammer, and the pieces crumbled under the pressure of the hand. He states that a severe rain might make the lower part too weak to sustain the upper, and if the building is allowed to stand there should be a framework put up to support the weight of floors and roof.

Dispatches to the Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Feb. 3.

POLITICAL DISABILITIES REMOVED.

Thus far political disabilities have been removed by Congress from about one hundred persons. There are three or four hundred applications now pending before the Committee on Reconstruction asking for similar favor. One-third of them are from Virginia.

THE SUPREME COURT.

In the Supreme Court of the United States today the following causes were argued:

Nos. 65 and 66.—Cases of the steamer *Siren*; argument concluded.

No. 67.—Dubuque et al. *vs.* Brown. Proceedings in equity to obtain a decree declaring void a deed to certain lands in Nebraska; case submitted.

No. 68.—The City of New-Orleans *vs.* the New-York Mail Steamship Company; case continued to next term.

No. 70.—Butler *vs.* Crowitz. Case in equity concerning title to certain lands in Maryland; cause submitted.

No. 71.—Litchfield *vs.* Dubuque and Pacific Railroad Company. Action for the recovery of bonds alleged to have been submitted by plaintiff in error and argued on the part of defendant.

It is said to be probable that the docket will be called as high as No. 100 within the next two weeks.

THE TAX ON SPIRITS.

The following correspondence on the subject of the tax on spirits, is self explanatory, and will be found of importance:

UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE,
ASSESSOR'S OFFICE, FOURTH DISTRICT, N. Y.,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 16, 1869.

SIR: I have to request that you will inform me, by return of mail, what amount is to be entered under the head of "quantity of spirits purchased," on Form No. 45, by a person doing business in the same building as rectifier and wholesale dealer of spirits, other than such as he rectifies. Must he give the total amount of spirits he purchases, or only such as he purchases for rectification? There is certainly a great difference of opinion which has led to a variety of practice among Assistant Assessors on this subject.

Very respectfully,
PAUL C. VAN WYCK, Assessor.

Hon. E. A. ROLLINS, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Washington, D. C.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF INTERNAL REVENUE,
WASHINGTON, Jan. 19, 1869.

SIR: Your letter of the 16th inst. asking what part of the entire quantity of spirits purchased during the month, should be returned each month on Form No. 45 by a person or firm doing business on the same premises as rectifier and wholesale dealer in spirits, has been received. I reply that in all such cases you will require rectifiers to return on Form No. 45 the entire quantity of spirits purchased during each month without regard to the quantity rectified. It is prescribed by section 59 of the act of July 20, 1868, that any person who rectifies, purifies or refines distilled spirits or wines by any process, and every wholesale or retail liquor dealer or compounder of liquors, who has in his possession any still or leach tub, or who keeps any other apparatus for the purpose of refining in any manner distilled spirits, shall be regarded as a rectifier. Very respectfully,

E. A. ROLLINS, Commissioner.

PIERRE C. VAN WYCK, Assessor Fourth District, New-York City.

FORTIETH CONGRESS.

THIRD SESSION.

SENATE....WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Feb. 3.

Mr. CONKLING presented a memorial of the New-York and Antwerp Steamship Company.

Mr. SUMNER presented a petition of citizens of Lexington, Ohio, in favor of woman suffrage. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

PATENT OFFICE EMPLOYES.

Mr. MORRILL, of Maine, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported a bill providing for the payment of salaries of employes in the Patent Office for January and February, and moved its immediate consideration.

Mr. FESSENDEN objected.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. ROSS introduced a bill to encourage the growth of forest trees. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. CONKLING introduced a bill to encourage the building of steamships in the United States. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

The bill provides that all steamships heretofore built and registered in the United States, or which may be built in the United States within five years, shall be released from the payment of all dues and taxes to the United States so long as they are employed in transporting the United States mails at a compensation not exceeding the amount of ocean and inland postages, and exempts all material used in their construction or equipment from payment of duties and taxes to the United States.

Mr. WILLIAMS introduced a bill for the relief of inhabitants of cities and towns in Mexico, Arizona and Utah. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

INDIAN DEPREDATIONS.

Mr. GRIMES offered a resolution directing the Secretary of the Interior to furnish a list of claims and claimants for compensation for depredations committed by the Indians in Northwestern Iowa, during 1857 and since. Adopted.

SENATE CLERKS.

Mr. RAMSEY offered a resolution providing for the payment of messengers, clerks, &c., employed by the Senate for the recess, from July to December last.

PRIVATE RELIEF.

On motion of Mr. HENDRICKS the Senate took up the bill for the relief of MARGARET HALL, which was discussed till the expiration of the morning hour.

THE JUDICIARY.

Mr. TRUMBULL, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back with amendments the bill recently introduced by him to amend the Judiciary system of the United States. As amended in the Committee, it reads as follows:

Be it enacted, &c., That the Supreme Court of the United States shall hereafter consist of the Chief Justice of the United States and eight Associate Justices, any six of whom shall constitute a quorum; and for this purpose there shall be appointed an additional Justice of said Court.

SEC. 2. That for each of the nine existing judicial circuits there shall be appointed a Circuit Judge, who shall reside in his circuit and shall possess the same power and jurisdiction therein as the Justices of the Supreme Court allotted to the circuit. The Circuit Courts in each circuit shall be held by the Justice of the Supreme Court allotted to the circuit, or by the Circuit Judge of the Circuit, or by the District Judge of the district sitting alone, or by any two of them sitting together. Such Circuit Courts may be held at the same time in the different districts of the same circuit, and more than one such Court may be held at the same time in the same district. The Circuit Judges shall each receive an annual salary of $5,000.

SEC. 3. That nothing in this act shall affect the powers of the Justices of the Supreme Court as Judges of the Circuit Courts, nor the appointment of Clerks of the Circuit Courts, which in each Circuit shall be appointed by the Circuit Judge of that Circuit, and the Clerks of the District Courts shall be appointed by the Judges thereof respectively.

SEC. 4. That it shall be the duty of each Justice of the Supreme Court to attend at least one term of the Circuit Court in each district of his circuit during every period of two years.

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. TRUMBULL, from the Judiciary Committee, reported favorably a bill to provide for the execution of judgments in capital cases, (published Jan. 12,) and adversely on a number of bills relating to the judicial system and practice, among them Mr. WILSON'S, to reorganize the Supreme Court by increasing the number of Justices to fourteen, and change the judicial circuits; and Mr. MORTON'S, to conform the rules of practice and pleading in the United States Courts to the laws of the respective States; and the House bill to amend the act creating the Eastern Judicial District of New-York.

DELAWARE RIVER BRIDGE.

Mr. CHANDLER, from the Committee on Commerce, reported with an amendment the bill giving the consent of the United States to the erection of a bridge across the Delaware, between Camden and Philadelphia.

THE ST. LOUIS ARSENAL GROUNDS.

Mr. WILSON, from the Military Committee, reported, with an amendment, the bill amendatory of the act providing for the sale of the Arsenal grounds at St. Louis and Liberty, Mo.

ANOTHER SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT.

Mr. WARNER introduced a joint resolution proposing the following amendment to the Constitution:

ARTICLE 15. The right of citizens of the United States to hold office shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or any State, on account of property, race, color, or previous condition of servitude; and every male citizen of the United States, of the age of 21 years or over, and who is of sound mind, shall have an equal vote at all elections in the State in which he shall have actually resided for a period of one year next preceding such election, except such as may hereafter engage in insurrection or rebellion against the United States, and such as shall be duly convicted of treason, or other infamous crime.

SEC. 2. Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

CONSULAR APPROPRIATIONS.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the Consular and Diplomatic Appropriation bill.

Mr. BUCKALEW renewed his motion to strike out the appropriation of $12,500 to carry into effect the treaty for the suppression of the African slave trade, and advocated it briefly. He thought the Senate had made these appropriations for nothing long enough.

Mr. PATTERSON, of New-Hampshire, also favored the motion. He had ascertained since the debate of yesterday that it was not true that the United States ever kept a fleet on the coast of Africa for the enforcement of this treaty, but only occasionally sent a vessel or two down there from the European Squadron.

Mr. MORRILL, of Maine, restated his view of the obligations of the treaty.

Mr. DOOLITTLE moved to add to the clause making the appropriation the following:

Provided, further, that no part of the money hereby appropriated shall be drawn from the Treasury unless the President of the United States shall, on application to the Government of Great Britain, become satisfied that said Government objects to the discontinuance of the mixed courts provided for by the treaty before the time fixed for its termination by such treaty.

Mr. SUMNER again eloquently urged the Senate to stand by the treaty; or, if the time had come for its termination, to terminate it in the proper way. He reminded the Senator from New-Hampshire (Mr. PATTERSON) that before the treaty, New-York was a mere den of slave-traders, and, in conclusion, repeated the expression of his profound regret that any Senator should be found ready and willing to strike down a treaty made for so glorious an object.

Mr. PATTERSON, of New-Hampshire—If the Senator from Massachusetts had not treated us to another feast of empty eloquence, I certainly would not speak again on the subject, but that Senator persists in stigmatizing me as seeking to strike down a treaty which keeps the African slave trade off the sea. That is an entire misrepresentation of my purpose, and he must not expect me to sit here quietly and be abused and calumniated by him or any other Senator in the land, I care not what his position is. It does not justify him in such a course, and I will not patiently endure it. Calling names settles nothing. Why, Sir, I might select a Senator here and call him the most patient of animals with a parcel of books on his shoulder, damning himself the national divinity, but that would not make him so. My object in offering this amendment is to save to the Government $12,000 a year. We have already paid out over $100,000 in support of these Courts, which have accomplished absolutely nothing for the suppression of the slave trade on or any other object, as I know from a member of the Court. The slave trade is dead, and I honor all the instrumentalities by which that great consummation was secured. I honor the efforts of the gentleman from Massachusetts in that direction, but I cannot quietly allow him to stigmatize me as a friend to slavery or the slave trade because I have made this motion in the interest of national economy. In our official position here we are peers, and I do not think it is in good taste for any man, I do not care what his position in the Senate, or before the country is, to attempt to lord it over other Senators or to play the dictator, and I, for one, will not endure it.

Mr. HENDRICKS said that the Senator from Massachusetts still insisted that this appropriation was for the suppression of the slave trade; that was his capital in the discussion, but the matter really had nothing to do with the suppression of the slave trade. The question before the Senate was simply whether certain gentlemen should be supported out of the people's money without doing anything to earn it.

Mr. WHYTE said that he had been opposed to the treaty when it was first suggested, because he was opposed to allowing foreign vessels to board American vessels under any circumstances; but the treaty being made, was binding, and should be carried out until terminated or changed. He then moved an amendment, requesting the President to ask Great Britain to put an end to that part of the treaty which requires each Government to keep up mixed Courts, and providing that, if that Government consent, the salaries of the officers of the United States connected with said Courts shall cease.

This was adopted as an amendment to the proposition of Mr. DOOLITTLE, which, so amended, was agreed to.

The Senate then voted on the motion of Mr. BUCKALEW, to strike out from the bill the paragraph as amended, which was lost by a vote of 13 yeas and 37 nays.

Mr. PATTERSON, of New-Hampshire, offered an amendment providing that in collecting consular fees, foreign moneys shall be taken at the rates provided in the Treasury schedule. Adopted.

Mr. SUMNER, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, offered amendments; one increasing the salary of the Minister Resident at the Argentine Republic, because of his appointment; also to the Republic of Uruguay, and another appropriating $1,000 for the repair of the Protestant Cemetery at Acapulco. Adopted.

Mr. RAMSEY moved an amendment, to send a Consul to Winnepeg-Selkirk Settlement. Adopted.

Mr. POMEROY moved to add an additional section, providing that all Consuls and Consular Agents, who are neither native nor naturalized citizens, shall be dismissed within thirty days after the passage of this act. It was lost.

The bill was then passed.

AN EXPLANATION.

Mr. WILLIAMS rose to a question of privilege, and called attention to a statement made yesterday by a member of the House, to show the absurdity of the Tenure-of-Office act, to wit: That the Postmaster at Portland, Oregon, was in prison for speculation, yet the President could not remove him, because it did not suit the Senate to allow his removal. This statement, Mr. WILLIAMS said, was untrue in every particular, the Postmaster in question having been removed, tried and convicted, and his successor having been nominated and confirmed promptly.

Mr. GRIMES thought this an opportune time to ask the Senator (Mr. WILLIAMS) when the Committee would report the bill to repeal the Tenure-of-Office law, which had been referred to it?

The PRESIDENT—That is no part of the business before the Senate.

Mr. GRIMES—Then I give notice that if that Committee does not bring it up before the Senate, I shall call it up at an early day.

Mr. WILLIAMS said he was not the Chairman of the Committee, but he believed that gentleman would call up the bill as soon as he could have an opportunity.

Mr. STEWART moved to take up the pending constitutional amendment.

THE ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Mr. SHERMAN moved to take up the Currency bill.

Mr. MORTON was in favor of taking up the amendment, because if it were to be acted upon by the State Legislatures this Winter, the action of Congress upon it could not be longer delayed.

Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, preferred to take up the Finance bill. The need for action in that direction was pressing, and the time in which it could be had for action was very brief.

Mr. DRAKE thought the pending financial question of very little importance compared with the constitutional amendment establishing the rights of man. Besides, the amendment required a two-thirds vote; and there might not be such vote in favor of it in the next House of Representatives.

The Senate then voted to take up the constitutional amendment—yeas 35, nays 20.

Mr. SHERMAN moved to postpone it temporarily and take up the Currency bill. Carried.

Mr. SHERMAN then moved to postpone the Currency bill until to-morrow. Carried.

THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

On motion of Mr. STEWART, the Senate resumed the consideration of the Constitutional Amendment as passed by the House.

Mr. STEWART moved to amend it by striking out the first section and substituting that reported by the Senate Judiciary Committee:

The right of citizens of the United States to vote and hold office shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or any State on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude.

Mr. WILLIAMS moved to insert before "citizens" the words "natural born."

Mr. DOOLITTLE suggested that "native born" would be better, but Mr. WILLIAMS did not accept the amendment.

Mr. BUCKALEW offered the following, to be added at the end:

The foregoing amendment shall be submitted for ratification to the Legislatures of the several States, the most numerous branches of which shall be chosen next after the passage of this resolution.

Mr. HOWARD offered the following as a substitute for the joint resolution reported by the Judiciary Committee: "Citizens of the United States of African descent shall have the same right to vote and hold office as other citizens."

Mr. CORBETT moved to add: "But Chinamen not born in the United States, and Indians not taxed, shall not be deemed as made citizens."

These and other amendments offered were ordered printed.

Mr. FERRY being entitled to the floor on amendment, moved to adjourn, and so at 4:30 the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Mr. BECK introduced a bill providing for the holding of an election in Mississippi. Referred to the Committee on Reconstruction.

STATIONERY CONTRACTS.

Mr. ELA, from the Committee on Printing, reported a joint resolution in reference to the stationery contract of the Interior Department with DEMPSEY & O'TOOLE.

It directs the Secretary of the Interior not to receive or make payment for 300,000 sheets of bond paper claimed to have been ordered at $24,000; to withhold the payment of $2,380 for printing 17,000 patent heads, the work not having been performed; also to withhold the value of 40,000 sheets of bond paper at eight cents per sheet, now in the custody of the contractors; also to deduct from their unpaid bill the amount charged for goods not included in the contract, above the ordinary market price.

Mr. ELA made a brief explanation of the objects of and the reasons for the joint resolution.

Mr. LAFLIN commended the industry, assiduity and regard for the public interests manifested by Mr. ELA in the prosecution of the investigation. The language of the report indicated a fair, liberal spirit toward all the parties involved in the matter. The result of the investigation showed on the part of the officers of the Interior Department either gross stupidity, gross carelessness or gross criminality.

Mr. LAFLIN inquired whether these features in the Interior Department took place under the present incumbent.

Mr. LAFLIN replied that there was nothing in the testimony taken before the Committee that reflected on the integrity or capacity of the Secretary of the Interior. He had been misled by the advice of his subordinate in whom he had confidence. He went on to show the defective and cheating principle on which the contract had been awarded, instancing the case of bond paper, which was contracted for at eight cents a sheet, whereas a fair profit would have accrued at two cents a sheet.

Mr. MAYNARD asked Mr. LAFLIN whether the contract system was not defective, and if it could not be changed.

Mr. LAFLIN replied that in the opinion of the Committee on Printing, the whole contract system as connected with stationery in all the Departments, was wrong in principle and wrong in execution. The Committee had prepared and would soon report a bill changing the whole system of placing the supply of stationery under the same law and regulations as the supply of public printing. In the course of his remarks he made some reflections upon the Acting Commissioner of Patents, (Mr. STOUT,) intimating that from certain facts, which he stated, there must have been some understanding between Mr. STOUT and the contractors.

Mr. CAKE (another member of the Committee) remarked that he was not so tender about the Secretary of the Interior as the Chairman of the Committee seemed to be. He did not think the Secretary's skirts were clear, nor did he coincide in throwing the blame on Mr. STOUT, who was only two months in the position of Acting Commissioner of Patents. He believed that if the investigation had been carried through other Departments, similar frauds would have been discovered.

Mr. STEVENS asked if the Secretary of the Interior was not the contracting party.

Mr. ELA said he was.

Mr. STEVENS—Then how can he divest himself of the responsibility for these frauds?

Mr. ELA—He is sometimes misled by cunning subordinates.

Mr. COVODE remarked that it was evident a crime had been perpetrated. He wanted to know who was the criminal. For paper that should only cost $6,000 the Government had paid $24,000. Each member of the Committee seemed to be defending some one against the charge, and the House was not informed who the high criminal was.

After further discussion, the joint resolution was passed without a division.

STATIONERY FOR CONGRESS.

Mr. ELA, from the same Committee, reported a bill to provide stationery for Congress and the several departments.

The bill provides that the heads of each of the Executive and Judicial Departments at Washington, and the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House shall have estimates made quarterly, and at each succeeding session of Congress, of the stationery required for the year, and the same is to be supplied by the Congressional Printer under contract.

The bill was passed.

WITNESSES IN CONTEMPT.

The Sergeant-at-Arms, at 2 o'clock, appeared before the bar of the House, having in custody FLORENCE SCANNEL, of New-York, under a warrant issued by the Speaker, for contempt of the House, in refusing to answer questions put to him by the Select Committee on the New-York Election Frauds.

Mr. LAWRENCE, of Ohio, Chairman of the Select Committee, offered the usual resolution, directing the Speaker to ask the witness as to what excuse he had to offer for refusing to answer the questions of the Committee, and as to whether he was now ready to appear before the Committee and answer.

After some discussion between Messrs. LAWRENCE, WOOD, and ROBINSON, the resolution was adopted, and the Speaker, addressing Mr. FLORENCE SCANNEL, put to him the two questions embodied in the resolution.

Mr. SCANNEL, who was quite self-possessed throughout the scene, replied that he had no reason for refusing to answer, except that he had given to the gentleman, whose name the Committee had required him to divulge, a promise that he would not mention it. He had, however, conferred with him since then, and the gentleman was willing his name should be given. Consequently, he (Mr. SCANNEL) was ready to appear before the Committee and answer the question.

Mr. SCANNEL was then remitted to custody until he should be examined by the Committee.

The Sergeant-at-Arms again appeared at the Bar with another recusant witness from New-York, HENRY JOHNSON, in regard to whom similar proceedings were had.

The Speaker stated that he had received a letter addressed to him as Speaker, from this witness, stating, first, that he had presented himself at the place designated by the officer who had served the summons, and that the officer was not present; second, that his pecuniary means had prevented him from coming to Washington to obey the subpœna of the Committee. This letter, the Speaker added, he had presented to the Chairman of the Committee.

The witness, HENRY JOHNSON, in reply to the two questions put to him by the Speaker, as directed by the resolution, said: "I have never refused or neglected to obey the summons of the Committee; and I am ready to answer any questions they may now be put to me."

Mr. LAWRENCE, of Ohio, moved that the witness remain in custody until he should be examined by the Committee.

A lively discussion arose between Messrs. LAWRENCE, WOOD, ROBINSON and others, contending that the witness had purged himself of contempt, and should be discharged from custody. In the course of the discussion Mr. ROBINSON said perhaps the exhibition which we have presented is the best example of the tyrannical course which men will pursue when dressed in a little brief authority.

The Speaker, interrupting, said he doubted whether those remarks were parliamentary.

Mr. ROBINSON—I have made no reference to any member of the House.

Mr. INGERSOLL required the words to be taken down.

The words having been written out by the reporter and read by the Clerk, the Speaker ruled that the words were not parliamentary, the House itself having ordered the investigation, and having also ordered the arrest for apparent contempt of its authority. In reference to the remark of the gentleman from New-York, that he had not applied the words to any member, the Speaker stated that the first part of the language applied directly to the transaction before the House, which was the resolution on the New-York election frauds.

Mr. ROBINSON rose to explain, but Mr. HIGBY and others objected, and he was required to resume his seat.

After considerable discussion the motion of Mr. LAWRENCE was agreed to, and HENRY JOHNSON was remitted to the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms until he shall have appeared before the Committee and testified.

A PETITION.

Mr. MOORE presented the petition of JOHN F. BODINE and eighty-eight other citizens of Williamstown, New-Jersey, praying that the Constitution of the United States be amended that God shall be acknowledged as the source of all power, and the Lord Jesus Christ as the ruler of nations.

THE CONNECTICUT RIVER BRIDGES.

The House then took up the business of the morning hour, the bill reported yesterday from the Committee on Roads and Canals, giving the consent of Congress for the erection of a draw-bridge over the Connecticut River, near Middletown, by the New-Haven, Willimantic and Middletown Railroad Company, in accordance with the resolution of the General Assembly of Connecticut in its May Session of 1868.

Mr. HUBBARD, (of Connecticut,) moved to substitute for the first section, the following:

"That said bridge shall be constructed and used in such manner as to cause no material or substantial obstruction to the free navigation of the river."

He spoke in support of his amendment.

Mr. STARKWEATHER addressed the House in opposition to it.

The amendment was rejected—yeas 60, nays 86.

On motion of Mr. KERR, the second section was amended so as to require the bridge to be built in accordance with the requirement of the second section of the resolution of the General Assembly, and the bill, thus amended, was passed.

Mr. WILSON, of Ohio, from the same Committee, reported a bill giving the consent of Congress to the erection of a draw-bridge over the Connecticut River by the Shore-line Railway Company, in accordance with the terms of a resolution of the General Assembly at its May session of 1868.

There being no opposition to this bill, it was passed without discussion.

WASHINGTON AND NEW-YORK RAILROAD.

Mr. COOK, from the same Committee, reported back the bill to authorize the building of a military and postal railroad from Washington to New-York, and proceeded to address the House in support of it.

Mr. COOK said he presumed that it would be admitted by every one that the proposed railroad would be of very great advantage to the Government and the public. When the capital was invaded not long since, it was seen how utterly insufficient the roads were to transport troops and munitions of war the single road now existing was. It could not be successfully denied that the construction of an air-line road from Washington to New-York would be as legitimate an exercise of power to provide for the common defence, as the chartering of railroads to establish mails or magazines. The proposed road was necessary in order to secure the transmission of the mails. It was in the power of the managers of the existing line of road to cut off all postal communication between Washington and New-York. The proposed road was also necessary to relieve commerce from the burdens imposed upon it by State legislation. The State of Maryland required one-fifth of the amount received for transportation through the State to be paid into its treasury, being now 30 cents for each passenger between Baltimore and Washington; so the State of New-Jersey required the payment of 10 cents per passenger and 15 cents per ton of merchandise carried by railroad through that State. He alluded to the fact also, that within a few months past, persons passing along the existing route had been violently assailed for their political views and beaten and outraged. He then went on to argue the constitutionality of the measure. He did not see how any distinction could be made between the power to widen and deepen a river for the benefit of commerce, and the power to construct a railroad for the same purpose. The end sought in either case was the same. The exercise of power was the same. If Congress might deepen Lake St. Clair, it might construct a railroad around it, if the interests of commerce could be thereby better served. It was too late now to question the power of Congress to create avenues of commerce that did not exist before. In this connection Mr. COOK presented a tabular statement of the appropriations made by Congress for works of internal improvement for the last forty years. There was no power given in the Constitution to erect light-houses, &c., except the power to regulate commerce. The practical question was whether Congress can regulate the vast and increasing commerce among the States, carried on by means of railways, or whether that commerce can be regulated by monopolies with powers only limited by the amount of capital at their command. The details of the bill had been framed with care to prevent the creation of fictitious capital stock, to prevent heavy charges, and to prevent unnecessary delays, and it was confidently believed that the road could and would be built. If the bill became law and that a speedier, cheaper and better communication would be established between Washington and New-York.

The morning hour expired at 3:15 P. M., and the bill went over till to-morrow.

MILITARY CLAIMS.

Mr. SPALDING, from the Conference Committee on the joint resolution providing for the disposition of certain papers relating to military claims accruing in the Department of the West, reported that the Committee had been unable to agree. He then moved that the Senate amendment to the joint resolution be agreed to with an amendment, which was agreed to.

UNIFORM NATURALIZATION.

Mr. POLAND introduced a bill providing for a uniform system of naturalization, which was referred to the Committee on Revision of Laws.

The bill proposes to admit aliens to citizenship after a

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The Forged Check Again—A New Normal School Building to be Erected—Appropriations for the Present Year.

The New-York Board of Education met last evening, President LARREMORE in the chair.

A communication was received from the City Chamberlain relative to the forged check of $17,500, which the Broadway National Bank paid nearly two years ago, and which it refused to credit to the account of the Board. Mr. SWEENY, after reviewing the facts of the case, says: But the officers of the Board do not impeach that payment, thus virtually treating it as a legitimate charge, and the question is continuously allowed to go by default. I am led to make this communication in consequence of a letter addressed to your Board by Mr. WILLIAM E. CURTIS, at its last meeting in 1868. This letter contains no statement of any proceeding having been taken, or even attempted to be taken, but is a sort of annual apology for a year's delay in the premises. Mr. CURTIS says: "Delays have arisen in the prosecution of the claim from the technical difficulties incident to the complicated legislation concerning the relations of the Board of Education and the City Chamberlain. It was hoped that all technical difficulties would be waived, in order that the question, if any, of the restoration of the sum to the Board of Education might be simply considered upon its merits." Mr. CURTIS would have it believed that the Chamberlain has raised technical objections to any procedure, which he will not waive. This he knows to be untrue. I am certainly unconscious of any technical objection. As no legal proceedings have been commenced against the Chamberlain, he has not been in a position to raise any objections, either technical or substantial, consequently he has had nothing to insist upon or to waive. If Mr. CURTIS had taken the first legal step to present the issue, and the Chamberlain had appeared and urged technicalities to prevent the substantial question of responsibility from being raised, then he might have been justified in arraigning the Chamberlain. But Mr. CURTIS only arraigns himself. Nearly two years have elapsed since the disputed check was paid, and the Clerk of the Board promised that the "proper tribunal" should in "due time" have the opportunity to decide as to his culpability and responsibility; yet the Clerk, during all this intervening time, has carefully avoided drawing any drafts which touch the disputed amount. Mr. CURTIS is employed as counsel, and after all his professional skill is exhausted in like efforts "not to decide," he commences to the Board the fact that he has not commenced any proceeding, and has succeeded in doing nothing and attempting nothing except to try to throw the blame on the Chamberlain. Mr. CURTIS' efforts to involve the Chamberlain is about as successful as his attempt to commence legal proceedings. His personal candor and fairness may be said to go hand in hand with his professional skill and alacrity. It is true I have waited patiently and repressively, for more than a month since Mr. CURTIS wrote his letter, for him to make another effort to begin, in the hope that I might be spared the necessity of making this communication; but the first step forward has not yet been taken. I respectfully submit that this will not answer. Somebody is responsible for this $17,500, and the question of responsibility ought to be decided by the "proper tribunal." Mr. BOSSE'S "due time," for this purpose, never comes due; and Mr. CURTIS' "beginning" never begins. Through you, I respectfully but earnestly invite, and urgently request, that legal proceedings shall be commenced to decide the question, if there be any question; or that the disputed amount shall be made up by the Clerk, who is responsible for the responsibility. This condition of the affair should not be permitted to go on from year to year with such poor apologies for delay. I would be justified, after the unprofessional and unfair effort to impute to me the delay, in presenting some reasons from Mr. PALMER (which would show why the long-threatened legal proceedings have not—I will not say dare not—be commenced; but I have no feeling in the matter, and will even freely forgive Mr. CURTIS, if he will only begin to do something in the premises, and I shall refrain, instead, however, that this communication shall be as forcible a challenge to begin as courtesy of language will permit. But after this long lapse of time I consider it my duty to refer to the allegations of Mr. PALMER, which have not yet been controverted, as promised by the Clerk, for such explanation as they may furnish, and which, for convenience of consideration, may be subdivided as follows:

First—"The warrant in question was paid by the paying teller of this bank on the 20th day of April last. On the same 20th day of April (1869) Mr. H. M. CLARK, Jr., the bookkeeper of the Board, who keeps the account of the Board of Education, informed the Clerk of that Board that there was a difference between their account and his, and requested him to send the bankbook of the Board to be written up. The bankbook was accordingly sent and written up, showing the charge of $17,500 for the payment in dispute, and the balance was struck, placing that amount to the debit side of the account."

Second—"On the 25th day of April the bankbook, with this statement of the details of the account, exhibiting the balance after the deduction of the amount of the disputed warrant, and the warrant itself, with the others, were returned to the Clerk of the Board."

Third—"No question was made as to the correctness of the account, or as to the genuineness of the warrant, until the 17th day of May following, twenty-three days after the account was thus returned to the Clerk of the Board, and the warrant itself placed in his possession."

Fourth—Mr. PALMER proceeds to say:

"I find that by the rules of the Board of Education, it is made the duty of the Clerk of the Board to keep an account of all the expenditures. When the detailed statement and vouchers of the bank were returned to him, the account on his books must have shown the exact amount in bank to the credit of the appropriation. How is it that the Clerk did not discover such a discrepancy and variation as a false charge of the large sum of $17,500?"

Fifth—Mr. PALMER then asks the following questions, pertinent or impertinent, as they may be considered:

"How is it, when the Clerk examined the vouchers, he passed over a warrant for the sum of $17,500, on which his own name was forged, without surprise or detection?"

"It should be remembered that the Clerk was specially put on his guard before this, for he was notified on the 20th of April that there was a discrepancy between his account and that of the bank, attributable to another cause. But being put on the alert by the notification that there was something wrong in the accounts, if he did not discover the difference between his balance and the bank's to be $17,500 on that day, why did he not the next day, or the next week, or the next fortnight, enlighten himself on the subject? Why is it that it took three weeks to make the discovery?"

"Is it alleged that entries in the books of account of the Board of Education, to force a balance to correspond with that of the bank, were forged also?"

Mr. PALMER contends that the warrant is not a forgery—but, assuming the other aspect of the question, he proceeds to say:

"I should remark that the paying teller of this bank, who has filled his post so creditably heretofore, states he is confident that he must have paid the warrant to some person well known to him or satisfactorily identified, because it was payable for so large an amount to bearer, which is unusual, and was indorsed by the name of the President. This is his invariable rule, and if he had been notified of anything wrong in regard to this warrant, by the Clerk of the Board, at the time when the account and warrant were returned to him, on the 25th of April, when the facts were fresh, he would have been able to remember all the circumstances under which the warrant was presented and paid. But the Clerk of the Board, not disputing the account of the bank, and keeping possession of the warrant in question for twenty-three days without making the least intimation of its being wrong, brought the subject to his mind at a distant period that, necessarily having so many things to occupy him every moment of time, he cannot now recall the circumstances attending the presentation and payment.

I suppose there cannot be a doubt in law or in equity that, whether the warrant in dispute is genuine, or, being a forgery, and the fact was kept concealed by the responsible officer of the Board of Education, designedly or fraudulently, in order to enable him so to necessarily prevent the detection of the forger and allow of his escape with the money, the bank is equally absolved from any liability arising from its payment."

It will be seen that Mr. PALMER contends that if the warrant is a forgery, the long concealment of the fact, after it was brought to the attention of the Clerk, prevented the detection of the offender, insured his escape, and defeated the possibility of the recovery of the money, and as between two public officers, that the one whose fault really caused the loss is responsible. One year and eight months of additional delay doubtless adds to the force of this plea.

May I not ask your efforts to induce the Board to take definite action in the premises? All that I desire is that the question of responsibility shall be decided, so that the City shall not lose the money. This question can only be raised by the Board or its officers, and it ought not to be allowed to be longer delayed without any attempt to bring it to legal investigation.

Very respectfully yours, &c.,

PETER B. SWEENY,
Chamberlain of the City of New-York.

Commissioner HALL wished to have the letter read which President MCLEAN wrote to the City Chamberlain on the 26th day, 1867, (a few days after the fraud was discovered,) informing that official of the forgery.

The letter was accordingly read, and the reply of the Chamberlain thereto was also read, in which Mr. SWEENY promised to present the matter before the Board of Directors of the Broadway Bank, and to report thereafter. Since that time, a Commissioner said, no communication had been received from the Chamberlain until this week.

Commissioner WEST offered a preamble and resolution as follows:

Whereas, The City Chamberlain, in a communication to this Board, of this date, intimates that he will waive all technical objections in the defence of a suit to recover the sum of $17,500, paid by him or his agents on a forged check alleged to have been drawn and signed by the officers of the Board; therefore,

Resolved, That Messrs. JAMES T. BRADY and WM. E. CURTIS, the counsel retained by this Board to prosecute said suit, be and they are hereby directed to commence proceedings forthwith, to recover said amount, and that the Finance Committee of this Board take all necessary measures to insure a speedy and proper settlement of the suit, and that the Committee report their conclusions at the next meeting of the Board.

The resolution was adopted.

The Committee on Normal Schools were directed to advertise for proposals for the erection of a building for the accommodation of a Daily Normal School, on the lots purchased for a school site, on the northerly side of West Sixty-first-street, between Broadway and Ninth-avenue.

The Finance Committee reported as follows:

Resolved, That the sum of $2,209,148 66 of the school moneys for the year 1869 be and the same is hereby appropriated for the several purposes, and in the amounts herein named, and paid, as may be required, by warrants drawn upon the City Chamberlain, subject to the by-laws, rules and regulations of this Board governing payments, viz.:

For the amount deficient in the liabilities of 1868	$236,148 66
For salaries of teachers in Ward Schools	1,700,000 00
For salaries of janitors in Ward Schools	85,000 00
For incidental expenses of Ward Schools	110,000 00
For fuel for Ward and Evening Schools	80,000 00
For gas for Ward and Evening Schools	15,000 00
For supplies through the Depository, books, maps, charts, &c.	180,000 00
For support of Evening Schools, salaries, &c.	100,000 00
For support of Normal Schools, salaries, &c.	12,000 00
For support of Colored Schools, salaries, &c.	45,000 00
For rents of School premises	45,000 00
For salaries of superintendents, clerks, &c., of the Board of Education	65,000 00
For incidental expenses of the Board of Education	50,000 00
For shop accounts, repairs and expenses, preparing plans, specifications, inspection of buildings, and materials	10,000 00
For Corporate Schools—Annual appropriation, and including appropriations to Commissioners of Charities and Correction	70,000 00
For pianos for Ward Schools	6,000 00
For erecting a building for a Normal School	100,000 00
Total	$2,999,148 66

Resolved, That the sum of $460,261 84, being the unappropriated balance of the school moneys for the year 1869, be set apart and reserved and paid as may be required, under appropriations to be previously made therefrom, for purchasing, leasing and procuring sites for erecting buildings, and for furnishing, fitting up, altering, enlarging and repairing buildings, and for such other school purposes as are not already provided for.

The report was adopted.

It was resolved to direct the Comptroller to place the sum of $600,000 to the credit of the Board for educational purposes.

The Finance Committee recommended the appropriation of $66,845 for the erection of a new building for the use of Grammar School No. 34, in the Thirteenth Ward, the present edifice being too small and otherwise unadapted for school purposes. The resolution was adopted.

The sum of $11,579 was appropriated for furnishing School No. 36, in the Eleventh Ward, and $7,560 for furnishing Primary School-house No. 16, in the Twenty-first Ward.

The Board then adjourned until the 17th inst.

THE METROPOLITAN POLICE.

Condition of the Department—Interesting Tabular Information Regarding the Work Performed by the Force.

The annual report of the Board of Metropolitan Police for the year ending Nov. 1, 1868, has come to hand. It is a bulky volume of 113 pages, the greater part being occupied with a series of exhaustive tables, showing the work performed by the force and the condition of the Department as it stands at present. Since the last report of the Board the station-house and prison accommodations for the use of the force have been considerably improved. In the Tenth, Eighth, Twenty-first, Thirty-second, Fifth, Third, Seventh, Twentieth, Twenty-ninth, Thirty-first and Nineteenth Precincts new station-houses have either been erected, or extensive alterations or improvements have been perfected.

HOUSE OF DETENTION FOR WITNESSES.

Attention is called to the House of Detention for Witnesses, and it appears that, during the year ending Oct. 31, 1868, there were confined as prisoners, in fact and law, in this institution, 264 persons, 193 males and 71 females—264. The aggregate number of persons these persons were detained is 3,852, equal to ten years, six months and eighteen days of one person. During the same period, in New-York and Brooklyn, 1,481 persons have been imprisoned in this institution, an aggregate of 25,841 days—equal to seventy years, nine months and twenty-one days' time of one person.

The report says: "The witnesses are generally poor, without friends in the City. Some of them have families dependent on them for the necessaries of life. They are all innocent, and have a natural right to their liberty and the earnings of such employment or business as they may choose to follow. This in derogation of these natural rights they are arbitrarily imprisoned, upon the claim that the public good demands their presence and testimony on criminal trials. In some cases the innocent witness is imprisoned while the criminal is at large on bail, and finally escapes punishment. This system, instead of aiding, probably tends to embarrass the ends of full punishment of crime. Persons cognizant of facts which, if known, would tend to the arrest and conviction of a criminal, endeavor to avoid the hazard of being imprisoned as witness, for an uncertain period, by concealing their knowledge, or refusing to appear as prosecutor or witness. If they are themselves the victims of the crime, they often prefer to suffer the wrong, whatever it may have been, rather than incur the risk of further wrong by being imprisoned as a witness. During the year 1868 there were thirteen persons detained more than seventy days each. Seven of them over ninety days each. Five more than one hundred days each. One has been imprisoned 164 days, and is still in prison. The current expense of this institution for the year, paid by this department, has been $8,494 51. The property occupied for this purpose is worth probably more than $100,000, and would bring an annual rent of $10,000, making a total annual cost of $18,494 51.

HEALTH OF THE FORCE.

The health of the force is good, and the amount paid for lost sick time was $51,076 35, being $1,846 98 more than the amount paid in 1867. The time lost by sickness is over 73 years for one man, or one year's time for 73 men. The number of deaths was 38, in a force numbering 2,668. A considerable portion of this sick time is chargeable to members of the force who are permanently sick or disabled, who would in any other service be discharged.

STATION-HOUSE LODGERS.

Mention is made of lodgers in station-houses, and the suggestion is made that it would be a charity well bestowed to provide, independent of the station-houses, lodging-houses, under the charge of the Police, to be located in different portions of the City where the population is dense, of sufficient dimensions to receive all these wretched people. Four or six such establishments, built and adapted to the use, could be maintained at a very moderate current expense. During the eight years, from 1861 to 1868 inclusive, the number of these ledgers has been 744,570, which is an average of 93,071 per year. See table annexed marked No. 5. They are supplied with a place to sleep, upon naked wooden platforms, without beds or bedclothing, in rooms kept entirely warm to secure them from suffering or danger from cold. Separate apartments for men and women are provided.

LOST CHILDREN.

The number of lost children taken charge of and restored to their parents, and otherwise disposed of, for eight years, from 1861 to 1868, inclusive, appears to have been 65,706. The average for the four years from 1861 to 1864, inclusive, was 9,393. The average for the four years from 1865 to 1868, inclusive, was 7,284, showing a decrease of 2,109.

PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE.

The business at the Property Clerk's office has increased to large proportions, and its thorough administration is a material benefit to those who lose property by accident, theft or robbery. It appears, by reference to the report of the Property Clerk, that for the year ending Oct. 31, 1868, the value of this property, delivered to owners at the several precincts, and by the Detective and Court Squads, as estimated and valued by the several owners, was $1,346,527 99. The value of this property, delivered from the Property Clerk's office for the same period, and valued in the same manner, was $3,376,730 69, making a total delivered to owners of $5,203,258 68. The portion of this property not claimed and sold in pursuance of the statute, was $5,286 14. Unclaimed cash, $971 11. Total cash receipts, $4,257 25. Deducting expenses of sale, $659 69, left a balance of $3,597 56, which in pursuance of law, was paid to the Trustees of the Police Life Insurance fund. Total loss to owners, including expenses, was about .002 per cent. upon the total value of the property.

ARRESTS.

The number of arrests, from 1860 to 1868 inclusive, has been 805,149, being an average of 89,461. The number arrested for 1868 was 98,861, being 4,408 less than in 1867, but 9,400 more than the average for the past nine years.

FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT.

The Fire Marshal's report is included in the report, who states that from the 25th of May to the 31st of October, he investigated the origin of 291 fires; that of the whole number of buildings damaged and destroyed, 264 were brick and 82 frame; that in 202 fires the loss amounted to less than $300 each, and in three instances only the loss was upward of $100,000. The smallest loss during any one month was in July, $178,550, and the largest in October, $950,632. The total loss amounts to $1,478,874, and the total insurance to $2,707,976. The amount of loss does not represent the actual loss sustained by the Insurance Companies; some losses not being covered by insurance, and some were compromised for a much smaller amount than originally claimed.

THE SANITARY POLICE.

Capt. BOWEN G. LORD, of the Sanitary Squad, states that during the year the following number of persons crossed the river ferries: Union Ferry, 40,000,000; Bull's Ferry and Fort Lee Ferry, 785,000; Jersey City Ferry, 13,100,000; Hoboken Ferry, 5,700,000; Staten Island Ferry, 2,376,000; New-York and Elizabeth Ferry, 4,300,000; Houston-street Ferry, 1,932,000; Peck-Slip and Grand-street Ferries, 4,600,000; Greenpoint Ferry, 1,545,000; Pavonia Ferry, 2,510,088; Hunter's Point Ferry, 2,185,000; Jackson-street Ferry, 1,400,000; North Shore Staten Island Ferry, 1,500,000; Hell Gate Ferry, 125,400; Weehawken Ferry, 338,816; Total, 82,321,974.

The squad reported the following nuisances: Privy vaults full, 7,262; privy vaults filthy, 822; yards filthy, 497; cellars filthy, 408; sewers obstructed and filthy, 2,899; stables filthy, 66; houses filthy, 253; slaughter-houses filthy, 94; areas and alleys filthy, 255; hog-pens filthy, 21; vacant lots filthy, 77; cesspools and cisterns filthy, 141; sinks leaking and unsafe, 421; Sidewalks unsafe, 91; chimneys out of repair, 83; stoops out of repair, 107; chimneys unsafe, 131; number of dead horses removed, 4,351; cows, 198; goats, 217; sheep, 286; hogs, 277; dogs and cats, 4,315; calves, or "bobs," 250; bear, 1; total number of dead animals removed, 10,295. Unsound veal removed, 40,352 pounds; mutton, 23,509; beef, 49,240; pork, 4,612; fish, 90,250; poultry, 9,003; total number of pounds removed, 247,972. Unsound casks removed, 21 barrels. Number of barrels of offal removed, 74,455.

TRUANTS.

There are seven men detailed to look after truant children, who visit our public schools daily, and receive from the teachers the names and residences of all absentees, and visit them at their homes, to find the cause of their absence from school. During the past year there have been reported by the teachers to the truant officers 5,962 children as absentees or truants from school. All of these have been visited at their homes with the exception of 384, whose residences could not be found. Of the whole number reported, 2,175 were reported without cause.

THE TREASURY.

The Treasurer reports the
Total amount of receipts to be.....$8,827,067 90
Total amount of disbursements.....2,691,492 62
Balance on hand.....$735,575 28

OCCUPATION OF PERSONS ARRESTED.

The occupation of those arrested during the year are as follows:

Artists	19	Coppersmiths	11
Actors	9	Drivers	219
Agents	21	Day's work	18
Apprentices	20	Dyers	8
Blacksmiths	184	Distillers	5
Bakers	98	Dentists	9
Barbers	45	Druggists	21
Boatmen	105	Editors	5
Brokers	46	Errand-boys	61
Bootblacks	18	Engineers	13
Bartenders	90	Engravers	98
Brewers	18	Farmers	27
Butchers	117	Fishermen	27
Boilermakers	60	Firemen	92
Bookbinders	22	Founders	11
Brushmakers	25	Finishers	136
Builders	47	Grocers	50
Clerks	586	Gardeners	93
Carpenters	558	Glass-workers	6
Cartmen	307	Gentlemen	11
Coopers	106	Gamblers	1,407
Cabinetmakers	80	Housekeepers	17
Confectioners	13	Hotelkeepers	168
Cooks	22	Hatters	33
Caulkers	24	Harnessmakers	46
Contractors	57	Hostlers	35
Conductors	22	Jewelers	1
Clergymen	1	Junkmen	75
Coachmen	47	Laborers	4,055
Lawyers	25	Reporters	4
Leather-dressers	57	Seamen	255
Locksmiths	37	Servants	513
Merchants	243	Soldiers	74
Machinists	220	Seamstresses	51
Masons	354	Sailmakers	24
Musicians	31	Shoemakers	262
Manufacturers	80	Saloonkeepers	134
Millers	7	Saloonkeepers	207
Milkmen	75	Soapmakers	4
Milliners	1	Scholars	21
Nurses	8	Speculators	20
No occupation	4,583	Tobacconists	117
Officers, United States	30	Tailors	227
Officers, City	30	Tinsmiths	102
Pilots	12	Teachers	19
Polishers	19	Telegraph operators	6
Physicians	21	Thieves	6
Policemen	21	Upholsterers	15
Porters	54	Undertakers	4
Printers	167		

Among the incidental duties of the Department performed during the year ending Oct. 31, were the following: Lodgers accommodated, 13,718; lost children restored to their parents or guardians, 1,593; accidents reported, 1,160; animals found astray and restored to their owners, 109; buildings found open and secured, 660; fires discovered, 317; violations of corporation ordinances, 1,238.

STRENGTH OF THE FORCE.

The following is the aggregate force of the Metropolitan Police as reported on the 1st of November, 1868:

Precincts.	Capts.	Sergts.	Patrolmen.	Doormen.	Total.
First	1	4	63	2	70
Second	1	5	60	2	67
Third	1	4	62	2	69
Fourth	1	4	68	2	75
Fifth	1	4	65	2	72
Sixth	1	4	64	2	71
Seventh	1	4	60	2	67
Eighth	1	4	54	2	61
Ninth	1	4	56	2	63
Tenth	1	4	64	2	71
Eleventh	1	4	58	2	65
Twelfth	1	4	39	2	46
Thirteenth	1	4	57	2	64
Fourteenth	1	4	60	2	67
Fifteenth	1	4	70	2	77
Sixteenth	1	4	53	2	60
Seventeenth	1	3	61	2	67
Eighteenth	1	4	80	2	87
Nineteenth	1	4	57	2	64
Twentieth	1	4	62	2	69
Twenty-first	1	4	55	2	62
Twenty-second	1	4	54	2	61
Twenty-third	1	4	49	2	56
Twenty-fourth	1	4	21	1	27
Twenty-fifth	1	2	54	2	59
Twenty-sixth	1	5	65	2	73
Twenty-seventh	1	4	55	2	62
Twenty-eighth	1	4	50	2	57
Twenty-ninth	1	4	83	2	90
Thirtieth	1	4	28	2	35
Thirty-first	1	4	33	2	40
Thirty-second	1	4	47	2	54
Court Squad	..	4	29	..	33
Sanitary Squad	1	3	53	1	58
Detective Squad	..	..	17	1	19
Special Detailed	..	1	15	4	20
House of Detention	..	..	..	3	3
Total, New-York.	34	132	1,921	72	2,159
Forty-first County.					
Forty-first	1	4	40	2	47
Forty-second	1	4	34	2	41
Forty-third	1	3	50	2	56
Forty-fourth	1	4	44	2	51
Forty-fifth	1	4	48	2	55
Forty-sixth	1	4	38	2	45
Forty-seventh	1	4	17	2	24
Forty-eighth	1	4	20	2	27
Forty-ninth	1	4	32	2	39
Fiftieth	1	4	20	2	27
Inspector's Office	..	2	25	1	28
Total, Brooklyn.	10	41	368	21	440
Richmond County.					
Fifty first	1	2	25	..	28
Westchester County.					
West Farms	..	1	8	..	9
Yonkers	..	2	12	..	14
Total Westches'r	..	3	20	..	23
Grand total	45	178	2,334	93	2,650

Central Park.

The following are some of the donations made to the Central Park since those last acknowledged: A pair of ostriches, presented by Prof. JOSEPH HENRY, Secretary Smithsonian Institute, Washington. They were caught while young in the interior of the Province of Rio Grande. The expenses of obtaining and forwarding them were kindly defrayed by WALTER S. BRADLEY, Esq., an American resident of Rio Grande. AARON YCUNG, Jr., United States Consul at Rio Grande, was instrumental in the presentation of these interesting specimens. An eagle and a peccary, presented by N. DEXTER, Esq.; seventy-five green-house plants, many of them rare and valuable, presented by THOMAS ADDIS EMMET, M. D.; an Abbanteo spear, from Africa, presented by Capt. MICHAEL STEVENSON; a Russian rabbit, presented by WM. E. SMITH, Esq.; a red fox, presented by Master FRED. LELAND; a Brazilian ostrich, a fine specimen, presented by Count DE MIRANDA; an American black bear, presented by LEDYARD BELL, Esq.; a deer, presented by Master SAMUEL GUITEMAN, and a bald eagle, presented by A. B. CORNELL, Esq.

Fires Yesterday.

At 11 o'clock yesterday morning a fire occurred on the first floor of No. 317 Eighth-avenue, occupied by AARON ZACHARIAS as a millinery and fur store, who states that his stock, which was all destroyed, was valued at $12,000; insured in the Hope for $3,000, City of Brooklyn for $2,000, and the Lafayette for $2,000. The basement was occupied by GEO. SCHMIDT, barber, whose loss is $100; no insurance. The second floor and attic are occupied by ERASTUS MILLER as a dwelling; loss $500 on furniture; insured for $2,000 in the St. Nicholas. The building is owned by HENRY SIEFKE, and he sustained a loss of $1,800; insured for $3,000 in the Bowery.

At 11:30 o'clock a fire broke out in the cabin of the brigantine *Catharine Leed*, of Leith, England, Capt. SEER, owner, as she lay at the foot of Forty-second-street, East River. The flames originated from the stove setting fire to the panneling. The loss on fixtures and cargo of lumber is $2,000, and the vessel is damaged to the extent of $1,000. The vessel and cargo are understood to be insured in England.

Hoboken Ferry Improvements.

The ferry-boat *James Rumsey* appeared Tuesday morning with a new improvement, viz.: an iron picket-gate to prevent passengers from leaving the boat until it is fast to the bridge. It seems to accomplish the purpose designed, and the other boats will probably be similarly furnished. The ferry-house at Barclay-street has been entirely rebuilt within a few months, house, bridges and all, and it is now very commodious and convenient. The Company contemplates building new boats in the course of the season, and has several other improvements in view.

LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDARS FOR THURSDAY.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT.

Part I.—Held by Barnard, J. Court opens at 10 A. M. Oyer and Terminer. No Circuit calendar.

Part II.—Held by Ingraham, J.—Court opens at 10:30 A. M.

Nos.		Nos.	
742—Heinemann et al. vs. Heard et al.		976—Osgood et al., Rec'rs. vs. Barkman.	
492—Goddard vs. Mallory.		978—Dickerson et al. vs. Ryder et al.	
906—Bachman vs. Lemercier.		980—Brown vs. Felt, impleaded.	
910—Belcels vs. Walter.		984—Hoppock vs. Myer, impleaded.	
954—Williams vs. Jones.		986—Calkin vs. Finney.	
956—Hershfield et al. vs. Levy et al.		988—Hope vs. Brevoot.	
958—Aiken vs. The Mayor, &c.		990—Weinemann vs. Loudon et al.	
960—Payne vs. Livingston.		994—Herisfeld vs. McDuff.	
962—Ehrlich vs. Laubheim.		996—Suffolk Glass Co. vs. Brown.	
964—Greene et al. vs. Briggs.		1004—Billings, Jr., vs Lawless.	

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT.

Part III.—Held by Clerke, J.—Court opens at 10:30 A. M.

Nos.		Nos.	
1128—Judge vs. Manhattan Gaslight Co.		947—Holdnay vs. Carlson.	
1230—Nichols et al. vs. Harris et al.		1034—Pellion vs. Shute.	
988—Eaton et al. vs. Schultz.		949—Eagle M'f'g Co. vs. Barton et al.	
1005—Foley vs. Burton et al.		1219—McGarry vs. Bogert et al.	
519—Smith vs. Spencer et al.		1221—Dickerson et al. vs. Wason et al.	
824—Harris M'f'g Co. vs. McCune et al.		1055—Glines et al. vs. Walters et al.	
955—Schultze vs. Cummings.		727—Leis et al. vs. Myer.	
557—Reed vs. Cummings.		923—Sanders vr. Bals et al.	
561—Chard &c., vs. Compton.		815—Ritter vs. Boody.	
		559—Olvanty vs. Corrigan et al.	
		899—Lawrence vs. Brosins.	

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

Held by Sutherland, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.

Demurrer.

No. 5—McIntosh et al. vs. Fatman, survivor.

Issues of Law and Fact.

Nos.		Nos.	
130—Van Hook vs. Perkins et al.		165—Waterbury vs. Bradley et al.	
151—Smith vs. Butler et al.		166—Holsman et al. vs. Wetmore et al.	
157—Lock wood vs. Farmer et al.		167—The Seegle, et al. vs. Stephens.	
158—Faber vs. Franklinal, impleaded.		168—De Cantillon vs. Kavanagh et al.	
159—Percival vs. Gilman et al.		169—Chapman et al. vs. Seligman et al.	
160—Schaffmeyer et al. vs. Post et al.		170—Worthington vs. Lockwood et al.	
161—Loughran vs. Kerr.		171—Wilmot, &c., vs. Ninth-av. R. R. Co.	
162—Lyon et al vs. Kettner et al.		172—Field et al. vs. Delafield et al.	
163—Lanier vs. Lauler.		173—Cosis vs. Shean et al.	
164—DeLeyer, Assignee, vs. Pike et al.			

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

Held by Cardozo, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.—Call of Calendar at 12 M.

Nos.		Nos.	
9—Campbell vs. Iron, &c.		175—Sullivan et al. vs. Williams et al.	
54—Crosby vs. Barnes.		178—In rel. Hayes, lunatic.	
55—Same vs. Same.		138—Nones vs. Baren.	
58—Stephens vs. Clark.		186—Muller vs. Muller.	
83—Feil vs. Sloane.		197—Pitman et al. vs. West. Union Tel. Co.	
102—Lang vs. Bailey.		200—Kelly vs. Brewer et al.	
103—Calkin, rec'r, vs. Manhattan Oil Co.		206—Herrick vs. Skidmore.	
106—Crosby vs. Barnes et al.		216—Hawes et al. vs. Snyder et al.	
107—Fratt vs. Barnes et al.		227—Crandall et al. vs. De Wolf.	
108—Edmonds' vs. Savage.		241—Com. Ex. Ins. Co. vs. Buffalo City Ins. Co.	
121—Garrety et al. vs. Dimmick et al.		242—Com. Ex. Ins. Co. vs. Western Ins. Co.	
123¼—Spaulding vs. Meyer et al.		243—Warren vs. Warren.	
141—Rourker vs. Russel.		250—Noah vs. Manhattan Co'p'n Rel. Ass'n.	
151—Gand & Sac. G. & S. M'f'g Co. vs. Buck.		272—Webber vs. Schaffer.	
160—Howley vs. Tice.		275—Keegan va Walker et al.	
161—Miller vs. Reise.		287—Genneroth vs. Lossing.	
162—Same vs. Same.			
168—Bingham, rec'r, vs. Disbrow et al.			
168—Matthews vs. Shaw.			

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Part I.—Held by Monell, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.

Nos.		Nos.	
579—Speyers vs. Lambert.		163—McColl et al. vs. Sun Mut. Ins. Co.	
555—Cooper Union vs. Carey.		605—Requa vs. Bradford et al.	
597—Dittmar vs. Delacey.		631—Reade vs. Waterhouse.	
431—Clark vs. Glimes.		633—Vassault vs. Murphy.	
479—Sullivan vs. Herman et al.		635—Hanna vs. Schaffer.	
557—Beard, Admx., vs. Second-av. Railroad Co.		637—Dohman vs. Barker.	
529—Harrison et al. vs. Smith.		638—Sherman et al. vs. Brantley.	
		641—Weston vs. Florence Sewing Machine Co.	

COMMON PLEAS—TRIAL TERM.

Part I.—Held by Daly, J.—Court opens at 10:30 A. M.

Nos.		Nos.	
431—Murdock vs. Munsinger.		467—Stone vs. Petrol. Gas Co.	
490—Sickel vs. Mahoney.		470—Hart vs. Devlin.	
449—Read vs. Fuller.		471—Adams vs. Great Western Ins. Co.	
462—Peterson et al. vs Bean.		472—Paris et al. vs. Kelly, Sheriff.	
463—Miller vs. Rose.		473—Lewis vs. Rothman.	
465—Williams vs. Day.		474—Rabidan vs. Dreyfous et al.	
455—Smythe et al. vs. Depew.		475—Bleecker et al. vs. Kehoe.	
466—Burrell vs. Hurry.			

MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Calendar called by Alker, J., at 10 A. M.

Nos.		Nos.	
1622—Henshel vs. Grosch.		1642—Holland vs. Schlesinger.	
1456—Hallan vs. Gannon.		1643—Larman vs. Pennefether.	
1463—Frank vs. Laugham.		1644—O'Reilly vs. Brennan.	
1509—Kearney vs. Godfrey.		1645—Trinkle vs. Phipgany.	
1517—Ferguson vs. Claflin.		1648—Kahn vs. Watts.	
1533—Sisik vs. Foley.		1649—Stachler vs. Hoppe.	
1534—Parker vs. Mills.		1650—Enright vs. Burke.	
1545—Russell vs. Foocfode.		1652—Wood vs. Manufacturing Co. vs. Steteon.	
——Watts vs. Union Condensed Milk Co.		1654—Hoffman vs. Middleton.	
1631—Von Lehenthal vs. Clark.		1655—Same vs. Same.	
1633—Carpenter vs. Central Park, N. & E. R. R. Company.		1656—Johnson vs. Berry.	
1634—Rooney vs. McGays.		1658—Bolte vs. Egan.	
1635—Levy vs. Bache.		1662—Hall vs. Solms.	
1636—Keyser vs. Lambert.		1663—Barrett vs. Hartog.	
1641—Goldsmith vs. Schonholt.		1663—Farrell vs. Duggan.	

COURT OF OYER AND TERMINER.

Held by Barnard, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.

The People vs. Char

end-hand on the street as low as 100¾ ℔ cent., net. The supply of Cotton and other Merchant Exchange is still reported as moderate, but the response of the Liverpool Cotton market to New-York prices, this week, may soon change this apparent scarcity of bills. Meanwhile the offerings of short sight Bills and Cable transfers from three or four, (if not a large number,) of the private Banking Houses connected by branch houses or joint account operations in American Stocks, with London, Frankfort and Amsterdam, supply all the Exchange needed for the trade demand, and we are satisfied, after careful inquiry, that the volume of business in our Public Funds and in Pacific Railway Bonds and a number of the Western Railway Stocks, with the three great European markets referred to, is daily on the increase, not only as to the amounts taken or advanced upon, or both, but in the range of securities dealt in. We cannot undertake to predict the end of this operation or the ultimate effect, in case of the disturbance of the peace or money markets of the Old World, but the immediate facts are that the continued cheapness of Money in England and on the Continent, and the much larger rates of interest afforded from this side, together with the speculative elements now at work in England, Germany and Holland are materially influencing our Foreign Exchanges, and restraining all export demand for Gold Coin at a time when our trade balances, owing to the larger imports of Goods, and the recent delays in the shipments of Cotton, would seem to be running against us.

The Cable telegrams from Liverpool to-day point to the probable complete success of the American speculation in Cotton. The fight between the Manchester trade and the holders of and speculators in American Cotton has been a severe one, and the chances frequently inclining, of late, to the defeat of the *Bull* party. But the scale has now turned, by reason either of a substantial improvement in the demand for Goods and Yarns on Manchester, or from the awakened apprehension of Spinners of short supplies from this side unless at advanced prices. Upland Middlings were sold in Liverpool this morning at 12 pence sterling, to arrive.

Money was in good demand to-day at 7 ℔ cent., and at this rate lenders were ready to place large balances on call with the Stock Brokers. The exceptions were again at 6 ℔ cent. to some of the leading firms dealing in the Public Funds. The Funds were advanced on all the United States 5-20s, and also on the 10-40s and 6 ℔ cents. of 1881, mainly on a strong demand for home investment and on foreign orders to buy, but in some measure on a change of feeling among the Street speculators, who are now larger buyers than sellers. The 5-20s of 1862 left off 113⅜; the new of 1867, 106¾ ℔ cent.; 10-40s, 108¼ ℔ cent., and the other Gold bearing Bonds in like proportion.

There was a considerable business done in the Southern State Bonds, without material change in prices from yesterday's quotations. The Railways opened, after the buoyant market of last night, at lower figures, led by free offers in the Long Room to sell New-York Central at 165@164@163¾ ℔ cent. This feeling, however, was soon changed at the Boards of the Exchange, and the Vanderbilt Roads all advanced again—Central to 165, Harlem to 140@138, and Hudson to 136@137 ℔ cent. The Western Roads also recovered their *Bullish* tone; while the Miscellaneous Shares were lower on Pacific Mail and steady on Western Telegraph. The demand continues good for nearly all the Western Railway Mortgages.

After the late Boards broke up the following quotations were made, as compared with Tuesday night. Gold left off weak:

	Tuesday.	Wednesday.
United States 10-40s	108¼	108¼
United States 5-20s of 1862	113¾	113¾
United States 5-20s of 1867	108¾	108¾
American Gold Coin	135½	135¾
Bills on London, 60 days	109¼	109¼
New Bonds of Tennessee	67½	67¾
Virginia Bonds, old	57	57½
Missouri Bonds	86¼	86¼
North Carolina Bonds, old	63	62½
New-York Central	165¼	165¼
Reading Railway	96¼	96¼
Chicago and Rock Island	131	130½
Northwest Common	84¾	83¼
Northwest Preferred	92¾	91½
Michigan Southern	95	94½
Pittsburg and Fort Wayne	121	120½
Cleveland and Pittsburg	94¼	93½
Pacific Mail Company	118¼	117½
St. Paul Preferred	81¼	81¼
St. Paul Common	66¼	66¼
Toledo and Wabash	65¼	65¼
Cleveland and Toledo	105¼	105¼
Ohio and Mississippi	38¼	38⅜

The following bids were made for the various Public Funds of the United States, at the close of business:

6 ℔ cent. reg., 1881	111¾	5-20 coup. '65, n. is	108⅝
6 ℔ cent. coup., 1881	112¼	5-20 coup., 1867	108¾
5-20 reg., 1862	109⅞	5-20 coup., 1868	108⅞
5-20 coup., 1862	113¾	7 ℔ cent. reg., 1867	106¾
5-20 reg., 1864	109½	5 ℔ cent. reg., 1874	112
5-20 coup., 1864	109⅝	10-40 reg.	102¾
5-20 reg., 1865	109½	10-40 coup.	108¾
5-20 coup., 1865	110⅛	6s Currency	101⅛
5-20 reg., '65, n. is	108¾		

And the following for the State Bonds:

N. Y. Reg. B'y Loan	109¼	Virginia 6s, new bds	62
N. Y. Coup. B'y Loan	109¾	Georgia 6s	82
N. Y. 7 ℔ c. Canal, '70	101¾	Georgia 7s. new bds	92¾
N. Y. 6 ℔ c. Canal, '72	101¾	North Carolina 6s	62½
N. Y. 6 ℔ c. Canal, '73	101¾	North Car. 6s, n. bds	61¾
N. Y. 6 ℔ c. Canal, '74	101¾	Missouri 6s	86¼
N. Y. 6 ℔ c. Canal, '75	101¾	Louisiana 6s	71¾
N. Y. 6 ℔ c. Canal, '77	101¾	Louisiana 6s, levee bds	67
N. Y. 6 ℔ c. Canal, '78	101¾	Louisiana 6s, levee bds, 6s	65¾
Indiana 5 ℔ c	98	California 7s	126
Mich. 7 ℔ c. War Ln	100	California 7s, large bs	125
Tennessee 6s, Coup. 67	67¼	Connecticut 6s	99
Tennessee 6s, n bnds	67¼	Alabama 5s	66
Virginia 6s, ex. c	57¾	Alabama 8s	92¼

And the following for the City Bank Stocks:

New-York	194	Bank of N. America	106½
Merchants'	123½	Hanover	106
Mechanics'	126	Metropolitan	138
America	145	Nassau	105
Phenix	105½	Corn Exchange	126
Tradesmen's	105	Continental	96¾
State of New-York	114	Commonwealth	109
Commerce	121	Imp't'n & Trad'rs'	127
Mechs. B'k'g Assoc.	117	Central National	106½
Ocean	107	Fourth National	101
American Exch	115¾	Ninth National	108½
Bank of Republic	115		

And the following for the Railway Mortgages:

N. Y. Cen. 6s, 1883	91	Tol. & W. Equip. bds. 7	78
N. Y. C. 6s, Subscr'n	87	Gt. West'n 2d M. '93	78
Erie 7s, 2d ind., 1883	92	Ill. & S. Iowa 1st M	70
Erie 7s, 4th ind., 1880	87	Chi. R. I. & P. 1st M	103¾
Erie 7s, 5th ind., 1888	85½	Chi. R. I. & P	93¾
B., N. Y. & E. 1st '77	90	N. J. Cen. 1st M	98½
Hd. R. 7s, 1st M., 1869-70	100	N. J. Cen. 2d M	100
Harlem 1st M	101	Morris & Essex 1st M.	97
Mich. C. 8 ℔ ct. '69-'72	118	Morris & Essex 2d M.	93
Mich C. n. 1st M. 8s, '82	113	P. Ft. W. & C. 1st M	101
C. R. & Q. 8 ℔ c. 1st M.	107	P. Ft. W. & C. 2d M.	98
Mich. S. & P. C. 2d M	92¾	Cleve. & P. 2d M.	93¾
M. S. & N. I. S. F. 7 ℔ c.	97	Cleve. & P. 3d M.	87
P. R. 7s, guar. by Mo.	98	Cleve. & P. 4th M.	73¾
Alton & T. H. 1st M	101	Chi. & Alton 1st M	103
Alton & T. H. 2d M. pf	81	Ohio & Miss. 1st M.	94
Alton & T. H. 2d M. inc	77	Peninsula R. R. bonds	85
Chi. & N. W. S. Fund.	93¾	Mil. & St. P. 1st M. 8s.	102
Con. 7 ℔ cent. con.	90¼	Mil. & St. P. 1st, 7 ℔ c.	90¼
Con. 7 ℔ cent. 2d M	88¾	Mil. & St. Paul 1st M.	91¾
Tol. & W. 1st. M. ext.	90¼	Mil. & St. Paul 2d M.	83
Tol. & W. 2d M. ext.	83¾		

The day's business at the office of the United States Assistant Treasurer was as follows: Total receipts, $1,291,67587; total payments, $1,095,578 39; balance, $84,119,970 70. The receipts include for Customs, $224,000; for Gold Notes, $79,000.

The following card from Mr. THOMAS EAKIN, of No. 33 Nassau-street, one of our most respectable and responsible private Bankers, will sufficiently explain the use of his name in connection with the recent delivery of Union Pacific Bonds, alleged to have been fraudulently obtained from the Company:

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In duty to myself I beg leave to refer to a notice statement in your paper of this date, about a delivery of Union Pacific Railroad Company's bonds at my office.

In the course of business I have frequently loaned money to Messrs. WATERHOUSE, PEARL & Co., in New-street, of this City, and on the 19th ult. I loaned them $180,000, in two checks for $50,000 each, payable to their order, receiving from them at same time as collateral $120,000 of Union Pacific Railroad bonds.

The loan was paid off a few days thereafter and the bonds surrendered.

No other party was known to me in making this loan but the above firm.

By inserting the above you will oblige

THOMAS EAKIN.

Erie Road—Sept. 30, 1868.

The following are the figures reported by the President and Acting Superintendent to the State Engineer, as to the close of last September. Subsequent to this date and before the commencement of the Belmont litigation, the Common Stock had been increased from $37,765,300 to $60,000,600.

STOCK AND DEBTS.

	Amount.
Amount of stock subscribed	$46,302,210 00
Amount paid in by last report	46,302,210 00
Total amount now paid in of capital stock	46,302,210 00
Funded debt, as by last report	22,429,920 00
Total amount now of funded debt	23,358,800 00
Floating debt, as by last report	4,504,813 29
The amount now of floating debt	4,893,735 81
Total amount now of funded and floating debt	28,242,535 81
Average rate, per annum, of interest on funded debt, ℔ cent	7 ℔ cent.

* Including $3,536,910 Preferred Stock.

COST OF ROAD AND EQUIPMENT.

	By last report.	By present report.
For graduation and masonry	$994,950 89	$1,501,643 11
Telegraph	12,826 52	12,826 52
Superstructure, including iron	1,425,741 30	2,179,724 20
Passenger and freight stations, buildings, and fixtures	619,522 43	849,536 34
Engine and car-houses, machine shops, machinery, and fixtures	1,503,513 95	1,580,516 21
Land, land damages, and fences	135,563 36	335,563 36
Locomotives and fixtures, and snow-plows	2,068,211 96	2,672,611 96
Passenger and baggage cars	667,441 96	694,818 17
Freight and other cars	2,077,568 05	2,654,706 77
Pavonia Ferry	178,200 83	266,210 48
New York and Erie Railroad	38,964,728 45	38,964,728 45
Discount on sale of convertible bonds, &c		4,774,220 40
Total cost of road and equipment	$49,347,789 70	$56,486,505 97

EXPENSES OF OPERATING THE ROAD.

	Amount.	Passenger transportation.	Freight transportation.
Office expenses, stationery, &c	$187,371,01	$46,842 75	$140,528 26
Agents and clerks	715,907 62	176,829 18	539,078 44
Labor: loading and unloading freight	472,981 76		472,981 76
Porters, watchmen, and switch tenders	169,476 00	42,402 90	127,073 10
Wood and water station attendance	18,881,86	4,724 19	14,157 47
Conductors, baggage and brakemen	693,353 07	235,133 62	458,219 45
Engineers and firemen	719,230 13	236,823 85	482,706 28
Fuel: cost and labor of preparing for	1,278,242 91	458,889 20	819,353 71
Oil and waste for engines and tenders	127,254 89	39,566 78	87,749 11
Oil and waste for freight cars	25,404 77		25,404 77
Oil and waste for passenger and baggage cars	10,623 91	10,623 51	
Loss and damage of goods and baggage	170,355 84		170,355 84
Damage to injury of persons	193,135 37	193,135 37	
Damage to property, including damages by fire and cattle killed on road	10,366 60	2,593 74	7,772 86
General superintendence	116,945 47	29,259 76	87,685 71
Contingencies	86,996 77	21,766 69	65,230 18
Totals	$4,996,527 47	$1,555,666 86	$3,439,860 64

EARNINGS AND CASH RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS.

First—Earnings.

From passengers, trains	$3,531,503 88
From freight	10,780,975 66
From other sources	64,392 73
Total	$14,376,872 27

Second—Receipts.

From passengers	$2,744,416 40
From Freight	11,425,738 84
From other sources, as follows, viz:	
Mails	142,324 30
Storage	855 83
Telegraph	25,948 02
Rents	16,541 63
Pavonia Ferry	21,047 25
Total	$14,376,872 27

Third—Payments other than for construction.

Transportation expenses	$11,143,092 32
Hudson River Ferry	124,318 90
Operating telegraph	24,426 24
Hire of cars	124,501 66
Internal revenue tax	112,953 29
Loss on Lake Erie steamers	78,896 18
Insurance	35,970 62
Total	$11,716,163 20
Interest on mortgage debt	1,587,227 60
Rent of railroads	703,326 90
Interest	247,376 29
Total	$14,354,200 07
Surplus Oct. 1, 1867	$776,637 98
Less surplus to credit of income account, Jan. 1, 1867	40,336 01
Balance	$736,311 97
Less dividend on preferred stock as of Jan. 7, 1868	567,304 85
Surplus deduct	169,007 12
Total	$14,185,192 95
Surplus Oct. 1, 1868	191,679 32
Total	$14,376,872 27

BANKING AND FINANCIAL.

☞ THE UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY offers a limited amount of its First Mortgage Bonds at par. One thousand miles of the line west from Omaha are now completed, and the whole grand line to the Pacific will be open for business in the Summer of 1869.

By its charter, the Company is permitted to issue its own First Mortgage Bonds to the same amount as the Government Bonds, AND NO MORE. These Bonds are a First Mortgage upon the whole road and all its equipments, and give over eight per cent. on the investment. Such a mortgage upon what, for a long time, will be the only railroad connecting the Atlantic and Pacific States, takes the highest rank as a safe security.

The price for the present is PAR, and accrued interest from Jan. 1, in currency. Subscriptions will be received in New-York at the Company's office, No. 20 Nassau-street, and by JOHN J. CISCO & SON, Bankers, No. 59 Wall-street, and by the Company's advertised agents throughout the United States. Pamphlets, with full particulars, on application.

Bonds sent free, but parties subscribing through local agents will look to them for their safe delivery.

JOHN J. CISCO, Treasurer, New-York.

Transfers of Real Estate.

NEW-YORK.

Church-st., e. s., 25 ft. s. of White-st., 100x75, one-half part $2,000
Chambers-st., n. c. cor. West Broadway, 226x225.115,000
Church-st., e. s., 25 ft. s. of White-st., 75x100, one-half part 10,000
Essex-st., w. s., 74.8 ft. n. of Division-st., 86.8x20, irreg 11,500
Greenwich-st., w. s., 94 ft. n. of Christopher-st. 25x72x20x72x21, one-half part 5,000
Greenwich-st., w. s., 19 ft. n. of Christopher-st., 38x44x22x27x72x75, one-half part 10,000
Hammond-st., s. s., 180 ft. e. of 4th-st., 25.10x116.. 3,800
Lots Nos. 107, 108, 109 and 200, estate of Boggs, (part of) 15,000
Madison-st., s. s., 283.5 e. of Scammel-st., 25.6x94.10 17,500
Prince-st., No. 121, 20x71.3 12,000
Willett-st., e. s., 200 ft. s. of Rivington-st., 25x100 17,000
1st-st., s. s., 258.1 ft. e. of 2d-av., 69.8x20.4x97.8x20.7 2,500
2d-st., s. s., lot No. 64, Underhill estate, 24.4x78.5. 15,000
3d-st., s. s., 160.9 ft. w. of Avenue D, 22.7x108 30,500
3d-st., n. s., 87.7 ft. e. of Avenue B, 20.8x96 12,000
7th-st., s. s., 100 ft. w. of 1st-av., 25x98.4 62,000
10th-st., n. s., 233 ft. w. of Avenue C, 25x94.9 17,700
12th-st., n. s., 275 ft. e. of 5th-av., 120.9x26.9x25. 12,500
34th-st., n. s., 83.4 ft. e. of 10th-av., 16.8x74.8x4.8x24.6x20.10 18,000
36th-st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of 7th-av., 75x20 22,000
39th-st., n. s., 300 ft. w. of 7th-av., 332.10x3x185x108 40,000
41st-st., n. s., 100 ft. e. of 8th-av., 20.6x98.9 20,800
44th-st., s. s., 300.5 ft. e. of Broadway, 20.4x160.8.. 30,000
46th-st., n. s., 150 ft. w. of 3d-av., 16.8x100.5 4,668
51st-st., s. s., 187 ft. e. of 8th-av., irregular 2,482
51st-st., s. s., 275 ft. e. of 8th-av., 187.5x158x12.8.. 6,000
51st-st., n. s., 600 ft. w. of 8th-av., 25x200.10 60,000
55th-st., s. s., 320 ft. e. of 8th-av., 22x100.5 9,000
66th-st., n. s., 375 ft. w. of 8th-av., 100.5x25x100.8x75x200.10x50 7,800
76th-st., s. s., 175 ft. w. of 8th-av., 22x102.5 2,200
76th-st., s. s., 275 ft. w. of 8th-av., 50x102.5 12,000
89th-st., n. s., 96.8 ft. w. of 9th-av., 25x100 2,725
89th-st., n. s., 96.8 ft. w. of 9th-av., 25x100 2,725
114th-st., n. s., 411.8 ft. e. of 4th-av., 15.7x100 10,500
114th-st., n. s., 411.8 ft. e. of 4th-av., 15.7x100 11,250
167th-st., w. Av. A and 100 ft. n. of 8th-st., irregular 5,000
Av. A., w. s., 100 ft. n. of 8th-st., irregular ..... nom.
Av. A, e. s., 25.2 ft. s. of 123d-st., 25.3x96x61.9x36.8x50.3x26 7,400
Av. C, e. s., 42 ft. s. of 8th-st., 24x98 15,000
6th-av, e. s., 625 ft. s. of 59th-st., 75x140 45,500
7th-av., w. s., 100 ft. n. of 126th-st., 125x100.5 10,000
7th-av., w. s., 100 ft. n. of 126th-st., 125x100.5 10,000
10th-av., w. s., 74 ft. w. of 36th-st., 24.8x77 13,200

Leases Recorded.

Broome-st., No. 459, basement, 3 years, per year. $1,500
Houston-st., No. 270 E., 5 years, per year 900
Rose-st., No. 30, 5 years, per year 1,000
Washington-st., w. s., 83.7 ft. n. of 10th-st. Empire Brewery, 9 years, 9 months, per year 10,000
W. 10th-st., n. s., 136.4 ft. w. of Washington-st., 44x98.7, 9 years, per year 1,400
W. 10th-st., n. s., 181 ft. w. of Washington-st., 44x98.7, 9 years, per year 1,400
18th-st., No. 403 E., 4 years, per year 420
44th-st., n. s., 270 ft. e. of 2d-av., 100x100, 5 years, per year 200
51st-st., s. s., 358 ft. w. of 5th-av., 20x100.5x—, 21 years, per year 380
Avenue C, No. 162, store, 5 years, 3 months, per year 380

KINGS COUNTY.

Brooklyn.

Baltic-st., n. s., 100 ft. e. of Rogers-av., 133x227, Baltic-st. and Rogers-av., n. e. corner, 55.7x100 Rogers-av., e. s., 55.7 ft. n. of Baltic-st., 75x100. } $9,000
Boerum-st., s. s., 59 ft. e. of Smith-st., 25x100.... 4,800
Bunker-st., w. s., 100 ft. of Bond-st., 100x125.... 43,000
Carroll-st., s. s., 220 ft. w. of Columbia-st., 20x100 Carroll-st., s. s., 340 ft. w. of Columbia-st., 20x100 } nom.
Conselyea-st., n.s., 75 ft. w. of Lorrimer-st., 25x50 Gold-st., e. s., 81.6 ft. s. of Willoughby-st., 25x95.. } 2,000
Hickory-st., n. s., 100 ft., e. of Tompkins-av., 47x100 4,700
Ingraham-st., s. s., 125 ft. w. of Oakland-st..... 7,500
Keap-st., s. s., 100.4 ft. e. of Wythe-av., 62x100.... 5,000
Leonard-st., e. s., 60 ft. s. of Conselyea-st., 40x95. 1,800
Leonard-st., e. s., 150 ft. s. of Meserole-st., 25x100 1,500
Macon-st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of Stuyvesant-av., 100 x100 2,500
Madison-st., n. s., 169 ft. w. of Evergreen-av., 50 x100 5,000
Morton-st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of Morrell-st., 25x80 Monroe-st., n. s., 225 ft. e. of Marcy-av., 25x100.. 3,500
Oxford-st., e. s., 117.10 ft. n. of Atlantic-av., 20x100 6,500
Pacific-st., n. s., 100 ft. e. of Powers-st., 50x100.... 13,500
Quincy-st. and Nostrand-av., n. w. cor., 18.9x62.8 6,500
Ross-st., n. s., 150 ft. w. of Bedford-av., 20x100.... 7,000
Sackett-st., n. s., 20 ft. w. of Bond-st., 20x100..... 5,500
Sackett-st., n. s., 120 ft. w. of Bond-st., 20x100.... 4,800
Sackett-st., s. s., 256.3 ft. w. of 8th-av., 18.9x100.. 1,500
Sandford-st., s. s., 236 ft. w. of Smith-st., 30.6x100. 2,600
Sedgwick-st., n. s., 140 ft. w. of Columbia-st., 40x100 6,000
Taylor-st., n. s., 111.10 ft. w. of Bedford-av., 21.10x100 18,000
Willow-st., n. s., 220 ft. w. of Cypress-av., 75x100. 600
Wyckoff-st., s. s., 217.4 ft. e. of Troy-av., 25x100.... 550
North 1st-st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of 9th-st., 100x100.. 2,200
3d-st., s. s., 83 ft. n. of South 1st-st., 83.6x25x20.2x79.2 4,850
South 3d-st., s. s., 125 ft. e. of 6th-st., 25x95..... 3,800
Fourth-place, s. s., 84 ft. w. of Clinton-st., 21x123.5 2,000
5th-st., n. s., 122 ft. n. of North 3d-st., 50x100..... 11,300
22d-st., s. s., 350 ft. w. of 5th-av., 100x100..... 3,200
65th-st., w. s., 376 ft. s. of 6th-av., 100x120.4..... 1,225
Atlantic-av., n. s., 100.10 ft. east of Georgia-av., 20x80.3 4,000
Baltic-av., s. s., 25 ft. e. of Miller-av., 25x100..... 600
Bedford-av., e. s., 40 ft. n. of Putnam-av., 40x100. 10,500
Bedford-av., e. s., 265 ft. n. of Tillary-st., 200x497.4x50.1x52.2x50x150x490 30,000
Gates-av., n. s., 200 ft. e. of Downing-st., 20x91... 9,500
Graham-av. and Brown-st., n. e. corner, 20.2x65 10..... 4,000
Graham-av., n. s., 95 ft. e. of Broome-st., 10x22.. 100
Hale-av., w. s., 475 ft. s. of Division-av., 25x100... 250
Lewis-av. and Macon-st., n. e. corner, 350x100x75 16,950
Myrtle-av., n. s., 27.9 ft. e. of Adelphi-st., 69.9x41.3x22.6x74 11,000
Troy-av., e. s., 127.9 ft. from Baltic-st., 100x117.6x 92.3.8.2x127.9 1,800
Van Cott-av., s. s., 205.6 ft. e. of Graham-av., 25x100 800
Van Cott-av., n. s., 74.10 ft. e. of Leonard-st., 20.7x93 25-av. and 26th-st., s. e. corner, 25x100..... 325
8th-av. and 67th-st., n. w. corner, 41.6x220..... 800
6th-av., e. s., 93.8 ft. s. of 16th-st., 18.2x80..... 8,425
Leases Recorded. 5,100

Sandford-st., w. s., 107.9 ft. n. of Myrtle-av., house, 4 7-12 years, per year $300
Vanderbilt-av., No. 64, store, 5 years, per year.... 420
North 2d and Ewen sts., s. w. cor., 5 yrs., per yr. 550

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

Greenburg.

1st-st., e. s., lot No. 13, map Livingston Landing.. $2,000
Margaret Post's prop., adj. Morton's, 4 acres. 400

Morrisania.

Elm-st., n. s., lot No. 102, East Morrisania, 75x100 $1,475

West Farms.

Delancey-place and Bayard-av., easterly corner, 240x263 ..... $10,000
Marble-st. and Madison-av., westerly corner, 100 x108 825

NEW-JERSEY—ESSEX COUNTY.

Newark.

Alling-st., Nos. 18, 20, 22, 60x100..... $5,975
Alley, w. s., 110 ft. from Bank-st., L. Stern's, 25x 66 800
Broad-st., e. s., near Orange-st., 30 ft. front..... 16,000
Broom-st., w. s., 25 ft. s. of Montgomery-st., 25x 100 550
Clinton-st., w. s., adjoining F. Kohler's, 25x98.... 2,700
Hamburg-place, e. s., 73 ft. s. of Komorn-st., 25 x100 450
Lawrie-st., e. s., 29 ft. s. of Kinney-st., 25x100..... 250
Mulberry-st., e. s., 50 ft. from Thomas-st., 25x86.. 500
Mulberry-st., e. s., 70 ft. s. of Thomas-st., 25x86.. 500
Monroe-st., n. w. s., 125 ft. n. e. of Downing-st., 50x100 1,500
Orleans-st., w. s., 35 ft. from New-st., 28x90..... 2,000
South Broad and Vanderpool sts., n. w. cor., 100 x111 4,000

Montclair.

Stone House Plains road, E. Williams' property, 17 25-100 acres $11,000
Valley road, w. s., J. A. Munn's property, 109x268 8,000
Road to Orange, e. s. M. Crane's, ½ acre..... 6,000

Jersey City.

Railroad-av., lot No. 12, block No. 38, Harsimer's map, (⅛ share)..... $4,000

Hoboken.

Grand-st., w. s., 200 ft. n. of 5th-st., 25x100..... $350
Plot E, De Mott's property, 50x250..... 14,400

Bergen.

Bramhall-av., s. s., 200 ft. w. of Jackson-av., 100x 100x25x100x75 ..... $2,625
Oyster creek, 100 ft. n. e. of Walnut-st., 103x100 x10 800
Lot No. 13, block No. 14, map Claremont..... 500

Bayonne.

Chestnut-av. and Avenue D, n. e. cor., 100x172.. $3,108
Avenue D, adjoining A. L. Oliver's, 100x170..... 2,000
Avenue E, adjoining J. Cadmus', 142x161..... 2,000
William-st., near Jonas Vreeland's..... } 25x280.... 10,000
Water lots in front of same..... }
Kearney.

Kearney-av. and Hoyt, s. w. corner, 80x100..... $250
Kearney-av., n. w. s., 100 ft. from Rose-st., 50x100 290

GENERAL MARKETS.

NEW-YORK, Wednesday, Feb. 3, 1869.

The receipts of the principal kinds of Produce since our last have been as follows:

Ashes, bbls	45	Barley, bushels	
Flour, bbls	3,811	Malt, bushels	1,225
Flour, bags		Peas, bushels	
Cornmeal, bbls	190	Pork, bbls	
Cornmeal, bags	2,009	Cut Meats, pkgs	237
Wheat, bushels		Lard, pkgs	100
Corn, bushels	40,229	Beef, tcs. and bbls	11
Rye, bushels		Whisky, bbls	521
Oats, bushels	1,520	Petroleum, bbls	615

ASHES—Continue salable and steady at $7 75 @8 for Pots, and (nominally) $8@8 12½ for Pearls, ℔ 100 lbs. Stock, 1,173 bbls.

COFFEE—Has been in fair request and held with much firmness, including Java, 21c.@23½c.; Maracaibo, 15c.@18½c.; Laguayra, 14½c.@17c.; Rio, 8½c.@13c., in bond; Native Ceylon, 17c.@19½c.; Jamaica, 14½c.@15½c.; St. Domingo, 13½c.@14c., all in gold, ℔ lb.

COTTON—The market has been quite active, excited and firmer again to-day, but closes tamely at the annexed quotations. The reported sales add up 10,400 bales, (of which 342 bales were this day arrived,) including 634 bales speculators, 2,628 bales to shippers, 992 bales to spinners and 2,215 bales in transit. Sales were also made of 100 bales Low Middling, for February and March delivery, at 28½c., and 250 bales Low Middling, for March and April delivery, at 29¼c. ℔ lb.

Closing Prices of Cotton.

	Uplands.	Mobile.	N. O.	Texas.
Ordinary	27½	27¾	28	28¼
Good Ordinary	29½	29¾	29	29¼
Low Middling	29¾	29¾	29¾	30¼
Middling	30	30¼	30½	30¾

Movements of Cotton at this Port.

	Bales.
Receipts thus far this week	12,476
Receipts last week	18,609
Receipts preceding week	25,982
Receipts since Jan. 1, 1869	104,294
Receipts since Sept. 1, 1868	899,577
Receipts year ending Jan. 1, 1869	677,891
Receipts year ending Sept. 1, 1868	632,320
Exports week ending to-day	2,022
Exports since Jan 1	25,382
Exports since Sept. 1, 1868	218,771
Exports year ending Jan. 1, 1869	338,551
Exports year ending Sept. 1, 1868	375,852
Estimated stock on hand here	60,000

Movements in Cotton at all the Shipping Ports.

Receipts from Sept. 1, 1868, to latest mail dates	1,845,000
Receipts same time in 1867	1,931,000
Receipts at all the ports year ending Sept. 1, 1868	2,940,982
Receipts at all the shipping ports of the United States from the close of the war, May 1, 1865 to Sept. 1, 1867	4,622,988
Exports from all the ports from Sept. 1, 1868, to latest dates	673,000
Exports same time last year	718,000
Exports from all the ports year ending Sept. 1, 1868	1,667,911
Exports preceding Cotton year	1,558,787
Estimated stock at the shipping ports, latest mail dates	341,000
Estimated stock, same time last year	355,000
Estimated stock on hand at all ports, Aug. 31, 1868	36,190
Estimated stock same time in 1867	39,398
Crop of 1867-8	2,430,998
Crop of 1866-7	1,951,986

FLOUR AND MEAL—State and Western Flour has been in less request and rather easier in price. Sales have been reported of 6,000 bbls., including very poor to choice Superfine State and Western at $5 65@6 25; inferior to fair ordinary Extra State at $6 75@7 15; fair ordinary to choice genuine Spring Wheat Extra State at $7 15@7 50, and poor to good shipping brands of round-hoop Extra Ohio at $6 75@8 15 ℔ bbl. We quote:

Superfine State and Western	$5 65	@6 25
Extra State	6 75	@ 7 50
Extra Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, &c	6 40	@11 00
Extra Ohio, round-hoop, shipping brands	6 75	@ 7 15
Extra Ohio, trade and family brands	7 30	@11 00
Extra Genesee	7 00	@11 00
Common to Fancy Extra Missouri	8 00	@13 00
Southern Flour continues inactive and heavy; sales have been reported since our last of 450 bbls. at $8 65@9 25 for very poor to fair ordinary, and $7 35@$13 75 for ordinary to very superior Extra ℔ bbl. California Flour rules dull at $5 25@8 25, as extremes, for very poor to choice old, and $8 50@$11 for new extras, ℔ 196 lbs.; sales, 190 sacks. Rye Flour continues in moderate request at $5 20@$7 40 for very inferior to choice, ℔ bbl.; sales, 225 bbls. Corn Meal is in less demand at $4 @$5 for Western; $4 60 for Jersey, and $5 for Brandywine, ℔ bbl.; sales, 225 bbls. Buckwheat Flour continues dull and heavy at $3 50 @$4 ℔ 100 lbs.

GRAIN—Wheat has been very dull to-day, and prices have been depressed. Sales have been confined to 15,000 bushels, including White Western on private terms, and No. 2 Spring at $1 37½ @$1 60, in store and afloat. Rye and Barley Corn has been freely offered, and has been moderately active at, however, lower prices. Sales have been reported since our last of 53,000 bushels at 89c.@92½c. for New Mixed Western; $1 02 for Old Mixed Western, in store, and 87c.@95c. for New White and Yellow, according to quality and condition, ℔ bushel. Rye is in more demand at $1 50@$1 57 ℔ bushel; sales, 3,400 bushels. Barley continues quiet at unaltered rates. Barley Malt is dull at $1 05@$1 15 ℔ bushel. Oats have been in moderate demand and quoted firmer. Sales have been reported since our last of 28,000 bushels Western at 74c. in store, and 74¼c.@76c. for immediate delivery, ℔ bushel.

HAY—North River Bale is in slack demand at 80c.@85c. for shipping and 95c.@$1 25 for poor to choice, for local use, ℔ 100 lbs. Straw continues inactive at 90c.@$1 25 for long and short, ℔ 100 lbs.

HOPS—Have been quiet, since our last, including American, at 5c.@14c. for new, and 2c.@5c. for old, ℔ lb. We quote in detail thus: New-York State, 9c.@14c.; Eastern, 6c.@10c.; Wisconsin, 5c.@10c.; Michigan, 5c.@10c.; Yearlings, all grades, 8c.@8c., ℔ lb.

HIDES—The receipts, week ending to-day, have been 110,515 hides; sales, 101,400 hides; the latter including, according to Messrs. HULL & Co., 36,900 Dry Buenos Ayres, part to arrive, 21@23½ lbs., 23c.@23½c., gold, selected; 2,200 Dry Buenos Ayres, 19@20 lbs., private terms; 4,800 Dry Buenos Ayres, Seconds, to arrive, 22 lbs., part 21c., gold, as they run; 2,850 Dry Buenos Ayres, Army, to arrive, 20¼ lbs., 20½c., gold, as they run; 2,500 Dry Buenos Ayres, Kips, to arrive, 12 lbs., 25c., gold, sel

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Amusements this Evening.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.
23d-st., corner 8th-av.
LA PERICHOLE. Characters by Mlle. Irma, Mlle. Rose, Mlle. Thoier, M. Aujac, M. Leduc, M. Edgard, M. Guidon, M. Hamilton, and others.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.
23d-st., between 6th and 6th avs.
ROMEO AND JULIET. Characters by Messrs. Edwin Booth, Mark Smith, Adams, T. J. Hind, Monroe, Norris, Miss Mary McVicker, Miss Fanny Morant, Miss Proudfoot, and others.

BROUGHAM'S THEATRE.
24th-st., near 6th-av.
BETTER LATE THAN NEVER, and THE DRAMATIC REVIEW FOR 1868. Characters by Messrs. John Brougham, Stoddart, Hale, Lamb, Edmonds, Miss Newton, Mrs. W. Winter, Miss Fisher and others.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
Broadway, corner 13th-st.
MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING. Characters by Messrs. Lester Wallack, Gilbert, Fisher, Stoddart, Ringgold, Miss Rose Eytinge, Mrs. Clara Jennings, Miss Annie Ward and others.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.
Broadway, between Prince and Houston sts.
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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

A telegram received yesterday announced that the Greek Government would positively acquiesce in the decision of the Peace Conference. A dispatch received last evening, however, asserts that the Greek Ministers refused to sign the protocol, but tendered their resignations to the King.

The challenge of the owner of the American yacht *Sappho* to the owner of the English yacht *Cambria*, for an ocean race, has been accepted.

A revolt has broken out among the natives of Algeria, but is confined to the tribes remote from the French settlements. The French Government has dispatched the Duke of Magenta to Algeria.

CONGRESS.

The morning hour in the Senate yesterday was consumed in the discussion of a private relief bill. The Consular and Diplomatic bill was then taken up, when Mr. BUCKALEW renewed his motion to strike out the appropriation of $12,500 to carry out the treaty with Great Britain for the suppression of the African slave-trade. After a lengthy debate an amendment was agreed to, directing the President to communicate with the British Government and ascertain if there was any objection to doing away with the courts and officers thereof provided for by the treaty. Several amendments to the bill were then discussed, and the the bill passed. The Senate resumed debate on the Suffrage amendment to the Constitution as passed by the House. A number of substitutes were offered, discussed and ordered printed, after which the Senate adjourned.

In the House, after a lengthy debate, a joint resolution was adopted, directing the Secretary of the Interior to withhold certain sums of money claimed by DEMPSEY & O'TOOLE on a stationery contract. Messrs. SCANNELL and JOHNSON, the two witnesses who refused to testify before the Committee investigating the New-York election frauds, were brought to the bar of the House by the Sergeant-at-Arms. They professed their willingness to testify, and will be retained in custody until they do so. During the debate in regard to recommitting the witnesses to the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms, Mr. ROBINSON was called to order for using unparliamentary language, and was obliged to take his seat. The bill for the construction of a railroad bridge over the Connecticut River was taken up and passed. Mr. COOK addressed the House in support of the bill to authorize the construction of a military and postal railroad between New-York and Washington. The Indian Appropriation bill was disposed of in Committee of the Whole, but the House took a recess until evening without acting on it. The Internal Revenue bill was considered in Committee of the Whole at the evening session. Numerous amendments were discussed, and the House adjourned.

GENERAL.

The Connecticut Republican State Convention met at New-Haven yesterday, and nominated the following State ticket: For Governor, MARSHALL JEWELL; for Lieutenant-Governor, FRANCIS WAYLAND; Secretary of State, HIRAM APPLEMAN; Treasurer, DANIEL P. NICHOLS; Comptroller, J. W. MANNING. Resolutions were adopted expressing confidence in Gen. GRANT, repudiating repudiation and demanding the strictest economy in the government of the country.

The Boston and Providence Railroad Company have obtained a verdict for $66,000 upon their suit for breach of contract against the Merchants' Navigation and Transportation Company. The defendants denied the existence of a contract.

A serious riot occurred in the town of Bejucal, Cuba, a day or two since, between Cubans and Spaniards, during which several persons were wounded. No further disturbances have occurred in Havana.

Fifteen inches of snow fell at St. Paul, Minn., on Tuesday. Yesterday morning the International Hotel, in that city, was destroyed by fire. The guests escaped, but lost all their clothing. The total loss is estimated at $100,000. The proprietors were making arrangements to enlarge the building in the Spring.

Two colored men named DONATI have brought suit against the authorities of the Parish of St. Landry, Louisiana, for $15,000 damages, claimed in consequence of the destruction of their paper, the St. Landry *Progress*, and other property, by an alleged armed mob in September, 1868, and in consequence of their being compelled to leave their home in Opelousas, in St. Landry.

Reports are current in Springfield and Quincy, Ill., that Hon. JOHN N. MORRIS, of the latter city, has been tendered the portfolio of the Interior Department. The Illinois *State Register* credits the rumor.

Five hundred dollars reward is offered for the recovery of Miss HOME, of Springfield, Mass., who disappeared a few days since while temporarily insane.

The contest yesterday in the West Virginia Legislature resulted in the choice of Gov. ARTHUR I. BOREMAN for United States Senator.

The New-Hampshire Republicans worked hard last week organizing their party. Clubs were formed in all but twenty-five towns in the State.

JOHN MCVEY, JAMES BROWN and MICHAEL MCNAMARA, who were convicted in Philadelphia of distilling whisky illicitly, and sentenced on the 26th of November to fines and imprisonment, have been pardoned by the President.

The receipts from Internal Revenue for the past three days have averaged, it is said, about $3,300,000, which is a very large increase over the average daily reports for some time past. The official records show that the receipts from the whisky tax at fifty cents per gallon are greatly in excess of the former receipts when the tax was $2 per gallon. It is proposed in the new Internal Revenue bill to give the Commissioner a salary of $8,000.

The New-York Board of Education met last evening, President LARREMORE in the chair. The Committee on Finance reported the proposed appropriations for the present year, the principal items of which were: For salaries of teachers in ward schools, $1,700,000; books, maps, &c., $180,000; support of evening schools, $100,000; for a Normal School edifice, $100,000; for corporate schools, $70,000. The report was adopted. The Comptroller was, by resolution, requested to place the sum of $500,000 to the credit of the Board for educational purposes. The Board then adjourned until the 17th inst.

The book and job printers on strike met yesterday afternoon at No. 68 East Broadway, and transacted the usual business of hearing reports and passing resolutions. As many firms have given their adherence to the new scale of prices, the majority of the late strikers are at work, and but few are left to attend the meetings.

From the annual report of the Metropolitan Police Department, it appears that during the year ending Nov. 1, 98,861 persons were arrested, being 4,408 less than in 1867, but 9,400 more than the average of past nine years. The whole force consists of 2,519 men; property restored to owners was valued at $5,303,258; number of defects remedied in steam boilers, 642. In the year previous (1867) the different ferries carried a total of 321,321,274 passengers.

ERASTUS SMALLEY, a hitherto respected citizen of Dutchess County, was arrested last week charged with forgery, in having altered a check on a bank from $225 to $320. The evidence against him warranted his committal to await the action of the Grand Jury.

FRANCIS E. PINTO, who attempted to rob the Park Bank a few days ago, was yesterday sentenced by Recorder HACKETT to five years' imprisonment.

A brisk trade was reported in Cotton yesterday, at a further improvement in prices. Shippers and speculators were the principal buyers. Breadstuffs were quiet; Flour, Wheat and Corn cheaper; Rye dearer. Less activity was noted in Provisions and Groceries. The freight engagements were light, with 466 vessels of all classes in port:

Mr. Wells and His Assailants.

The high-tariff men, clamoring for prohibitory duties for the enrichment of special classes, and the rascally "rings" which are interested in corrupting or defeating the administration of the Revenue service, are united in hostility to Mr. WELLS. They are all his enemies. The monopolists will never forgive his exposure of the injury to the revenue, and to the great body of consumers, resulting from excessive Customs duties. And the knaves who defraud the Treasury, and grow rich at the expense of the taxpayers, are incensed at his endeavors to obtain and enforce stringent legislation. The *Tribune* takes the lead in the attack upon the Commissioner. Other journals are engaged in the same work, but they are neither so bitter nor so persistent as the *Tribune*. It has evidently undertaken the job to break him down, of which mention was made soon after the publication of his report.

The public understand the alliance and the motives which have led to its formation. They know that their enemies are the enemies of Mr. WELLS. They are aware that the whole tribe of lobbyists who are on the watch for opportunities to push schemes through Congress, have made common cause against him. Mere differences of opinion as to the extent to which tariff protection may be profitably carried, would not occasion the malignity evinced by the *Tribune*. Sinister interests are at stake, and Mr. WELLS' report is an obstacle in the path of their promoters.

Another fact worth remembering is the antagonism which the *Tribune* and its associates display toward the real interests of labor. The attacks upon Mr. WELLS are alleged to be in the interest of home industry. *That* is the thing which the *Tribune* pretends to be desirous of protecting. The pretence is exploded, however, by the stand taken in regard to the actual condition of the working classes. Mr. WELLS has demonstrated that the legislation which has made the rich richer has also made the poor poorer—that the price of labor has not kept pace with the prices of commodities, and that, consequently, the producers have not benefited by the system which has augmented the wealth of the capitalists. Hereupon the *Tribune* throws off the mask and arrays itself against the workmen; insisting that they never were so well off, and never had so much spare money! The people themselves know differently. They know that they neither live so comfortably nor save so much as before the war; and this knowledge renders the special pleading of the *Tribune* harmless. Mr. WELLS is justified by the experience of millions.

General Grant and the Office-Seekers.

The scramble for office has begun. Aspirants are bestirring themselves. Applications for place are in brisk circulation for signatures. Members of Congress are importuned for their "influence," but they are themselves as yet too fearful that they won't have any, to be very active or very profuse even in promises. But the political hive is in commotion, and is likely to be kept so for some little time to come.

One of the first things Gen. GRANT will have to settle as President, will be whether members of Congress are to make the appointments to office for their respective districts, or not,—for this is really what is claimed on their behalf. In form, of course, their claim does not take this shape: they only demand the right to *recommend*;—but they also demand that their recommendations shall be accepted as decisive. They hold, in fact if not in form, that it is their *right* to designate the National office-holders for their districts,—that a President or Head of Department has no right to look elsewhere for advice touching his appointees,—and that it is a personal slight, as well as a political wrong, for him to do so. We do not in the least exaggerate the nature of the claims put forward by members of Congress in this respect. We know of individual cases in which they have been thus pressed, in which members have thus claimed the right of designating appointments, as belonging to their positions in Congress and in the party,—and in which they have made the refusal to allow them to do so ground of political and personal quarrel with the offending magnate.

That this claim will be made upon Gen. GRANT, with combined and impetuous vigor, we do not doubt. Will it be conceded? It would not be strange if it should. It is an easy way of escaping infinite trouble, averting a great deal of harassing animosity, and satisfying those bustling people who call, and probably think, themselves *the party*. Most Presidents practically have conceded the claim, and have thought themselves happy if allowed to choose, here and there, a man for office,—one in a hundred, or even a thousand,—to suit themselves. And in this way they have secured for themselves what little peace and power they have been permitted to enjoy. Will Gen. GRANT follow their example? Will he be content to walk thus in the broad path of safe precedent, and hand over the most important of his powers, and the most responsible of his duties, in order to rid himself of its perplexities, to the hands of others? If he does he may secure "peace"—for himself, if not for the country. If he does not, he may prepare for a fight, hotter and more embittered than any he has yet encountered.

The power of thus making Executive appointments has come to be altogether the most important of the functions of the average Congressman. It makes him a great creature with his constituents. It makes him the great local Mogul of his party,—the dispenser of public pap to its hungry hangers-on. It makes him at once, within his district, the great being who can reward his friends and punish his enemies; and this, with party politicians, is the nearest approach to Omnipotence their imaginations can conceive. But they do not always content themselves with these shadowy glories that thus attend upon the power they claim: it has for many a much more direct and tangible value. It is capable of being coined into cash. Offices are sought, throughout the world, including the United States, because they are *worth* something, because they bring in revenue,—salaries, perquisites, pickings, "chances:" and for all these solid and substantial things he must be a very base-minded office-seeker who is not willing to pay. There are members of Congress who put a cash value on the places they procure for their friends,—and who demand its payment in acknowledgment of their services for thus procuring them.

If Gen. GRANT or anybody else supposes that a power of this sort,—at once so pleasing and so profitable,—is to be surrendered without a struggle, he mistakes the practical, pushing and pertinacious character of the American Congressman.

Next comes the claim of papers,—letters of recommendation signed by thousands of active and influential members of "the party,"—to be deemed conclusive in matters of appointment. All the Departments at Washington, all the Custom-houses, Post Offices and other public buildings of the land, are crammed full of them. The enterprising applicant usually draws his letter up himself, has it legibly copied, and hires as many persons as he can afford, to carry it around for signatures. It usually asserts that "we the undersigned" have personally known the applicant for the last five, ten or fifty years,—are intimately acquainted with his life, habits, character, and devotion to the interests of the party, &c., &c., and hearing that he is spoken of as a candidate for such an office, respectfully but urgently request that he may be appointed. The chances are ten to one that not one in ten of those who are asked to sign this letter, ever saw or heard of the applicant, or even knew before that there was such a person in existence; yet every one is expected to sign it as a matter of course, and as a general thing they do. They have not the independence to refuse—nor the time to explain, and the favor is but a small one—such papers having no weight, so their names go on and the thing is ended. This is the way in which such letters of recommendation are usually procured. They say but little and that little is usually false. It does not need much reflection to show that, as proof of fitness for office, they are absolutely worthless. Yet appointments are constantly made on the strength of them, and the appointing power uses them to excuse what may prove to be a very bad appointment on his part.

The weakness of the whole thing is apparent, and it ought not to be difficult to uproot a practice that has so little to recommend it. Yet it is, *very* difficult. A great deal is said to excuse it. It is said to be the only way in which the merits of the application, and the wishes of the party, can be made known to the appointing power,—who naturally must feel grateful for information which he needs so much.

What this mode of making appointments has done for our civil service, we know to our cost. Whether it can be reformed and improved, we are yet to learn. It is quite certain that the attempt to change it, in any essential respect, will be fiercely and strenuously resisted by the combined interests which thrive and profit by it. And this is but one of the many ways in which the country will be brought to a decisive test of the question, whether it is governed by the will and for the welfare of the great body of the people, or for the profit and at the pleasure of special cliques and combinations.

Crime in the City — Recorder Hackett's Charge.

The Recorder is not felicitous, we think, in his attempt to divide the responsibility for recent crime between the authorities and the sufferers. Let it be admitted that moneyed men are not always judicious in the selection of depositories for their bonds and currency; that excessive trust is too often reposed in subordinates; that respectable families receive into their houses servants into whose antecedents they have not carefully inquired, and that persons walking in unfrequented streets, or anywhere at late hours, are not seldom "negligent of their safety." Concede all this, and we are no nearer an explanation of that boldness in crime for which Mr. HACKETT thus attempts to account. The points he recites are well enough as evidence of the general advantages of caution. In ordinary circumstances they would doubtless help us to understand the average of robberies and assaults, in house or street. But Mr. HACKETT is dwelling on the "crimes of exceeding boldness" which, within the last few weeks, have startled the City, and in regard to these the causes he suggests are altogether inapplicable.

Look at the leading incidents of the last few weeks, and the inappropriateness of the Recorder's statement becomes apparent. Mr. ROGERS, robbed and murdered at early daylight in front of his door, within a few yards of the main thoroughfare of the City. Mr. LEDDY assaulted with a slung-shot, with a view to robbery, in Lexington-avenue, before 9 o'clock in the evening. Mr. LYNCH knocked down and his wife attacked by a band of thieves in Fourth-street, within gunshot of Broadway, soon after dark. The office of Calvary Cemetery, in the neighborhood of Police Headquarters, entered by a method that must have consumed hours, and its safe blown open and robbed. Mr. PRESSEY, a merchant, attacked in his office on Coenties-slip before the close of business hours, and his pockets rifled while a pistol was leveled at his head. Mr. MOREY threatened with murder, gagged and robbed in a second-story room on Broadway, between 6 and 7 o'clock. These are specimens of the crime which now challenges the attention of citizens, and an explanation for which must be sought in the confidence resulting from impunity by which the criminal classes are animated. We say nothing of the almost countless burglaries which have been chronicled within the same period, or the multiplication of daring thefts which, as in the case of the Park Bank, have excited momentary surprise. We allude only to occurrences so wanton and desperate, so characteristic of a society in which savage lawlessness asserts its contempt for the safeguards on which we are disposed to rely—that the generalization of auxiliary causes attempted by the Recorder utterly fails to cover them.

His arraignment of the Police more nearly accords with facts. With a disposition to judge charitably of the defects that are visible in its organization and the shortcomings which must always more or less attend its operations, we find it impossible to understand or excuse the signal and almost systematic failure of the Police to bring to punishment the perpetrators of great crimes. Mr. HACKETT declares, as the result of his experience, that the Police "give small attention to ferreting out the necessary testimony;" and in this we think he is correct. Now and then an active roundsman makes a notable arrest, as in that by MALONEY the other evening, but as a rule, the Police are singularly indifferent to the accumulation and sifting of evidence by which arrests should be facilitated and conviction made reasonably certain. They may hunt up given individuals, but the art of watching and scrutinizing, and drawing inferences and fastening guilt upon the criminal seems all but unknown to them.

Perhaps the creation of the Detective system, as a distinct branch of the Police, may have contributed somewhat to this state of things. By this division of labor and duty, the ordinary policeman is virtually divested of his most important duty, which is transferred to detectives who rarely or never move except under the stimulus of promised reward. The arrangement is inimical to the efficiency and integrity of the entire force, which is maintained on the supposition that it does the work of justice as a matter of duty. In their place, of course, detectives are valuable, but that place should be auxiliary to the ordinary force, not its substitute. The force as a whole ought not to be allowed to escape its responsibilities by pleading the distinction which now obtrudes itself at every turn. A detective may sometimes be more than a policeman, but every policeman, to the extent of his capacity, should be required to play the part of detective. If this were done with moderate fidelity, the failure to discover criminals, or to convict them when arrested, would be much less conspicuous.

Besides, the system of money rewards has led to very gross abuses. The proper end of rewards is in no manner related to the Police. The object in offering them should be to induce accomplices or indifferent witnesses to give evidence—to interest others, in fact, in the business of the Police. The additional recompense of the latter, except in special instances, should take the shape of promotion. The effect of the present practice has been to make detectives mere go-betweens, in friendly fellowship with the felon class, and negotiating for them little arrangements with their victims. Hence has arisen a demoralization in the force itself, and a degree of popular distrust which is, for many reasons, unfortunate. Persons who suffer from robberies may consent to buy back their property through the intervention of detectives, but they lose faith in the Police administration which renders these bargains necessary.

We have no specific plan of reform to propose. But that both the organization and management of the Police force—detectives included—need revision and amendment, few who have watched the development of crime, and the almost absolute impunity of criminals, will venture to deny. The aversion of citizens to jury duty, and the bad influences which have crept into the courts of law, are circumstances not to be overlooked in any fair review of the question of crime. They have no direct connection, however, with the admitted inefficiency of the Police, or the considerations that should enter into its future management.

An Unworked Revenue Mine—The Assessor in Wall-street.

The recent determination of Assessor WEBSTER, of the Thirty-second District, to make an inquisition into the matter of bankers' and brokers' taxes has raised a wonderful flutter in the dove-cotes of Wall-street. The stir has of course not been lessened by the fact that very wild and exaggerated notions have become current as to the real action and actual intent of Mr. WEBSTER. We are well assured that the Assessor has no mind to raise doubtful issues, but just desires to give effect to the existing laws.

That these have been evaded, and that to an enormous extent by bankers and brokers, is not matter of doubt. This is sufficiently evidenced by the fact that the whole reported taxable capital of Wall-street is about *nine millions of dollars*. Is any one verdant enough to believe that this vast moneyed centre, controlling the finances of the Continent, can fairly present any such beggarly exhibit as that?

Credat Judæus! When Mr. WEBSTER came into office a few months ago, he found a large class of people who claimed to be "brokers" and who had taken out brokers' license, (which is $50,) who were in reality bankers, and ought properly to have been paying license as such, (which is $100, and two dollars per thousand on all over $50,000 capital.) Many bankers and large stock and banking-houses reported no capital at all. None returned any *deposits* as taxable. In fact, the assessments were collected very much as political assessments are collected—parties paid *if* they chose and *what* they chose. Mr. WEBSTER's purpose is to make these people pay their honest dues, which is certainly commendable; and he means to go back and make them pay their arrearages during the past fifteen months—the length he has the power to go back according to law. This action is obviously just, and we understand that several houses have already come forward to comply with the Assessor's view of the case. In addition to the tax on capital and deposits, it seems that Assessor WEBSTER interprets the provision of the law which imposes a tax of one twenty-fourth of one per cent. on "capital employed," as applicable to the daily temporary loans negotiated by brokers upon stocks, gold, &c. Whether or not his ruling of *this* matter will be held by his superior officers in Washington or by the Courts (if the case should go there) remains to be seen. If it is sustained, it is estimated that the income from this source alone in Mr. WEBSTER's district will be over *three millions of dollars* added to the public revenues. In any case, Mr. WEBSTER is entitled to credit for his vigor and vigilance in the performance of his duty.

The Anarchy in Northern Mexico.

Slight as was the late outbreak at Mazatlan, and "easily suppressed," it is nevertheless significant. It verifies the tidings of popular discontent which a previous steamer brought, and brings to mind the prediction then indulged that open rebellion would soon occur.

The situation of Northern Mexico is a peculiar one. Ever since the cession to the United States after the Mexican war, of the territory that lies north of it, this region has seemed to feel, as it were, the symptoms of a similar "destiny" awaiting it. The impulse to gravitate upon the United States has for many reasons, indeed, been stronger there than further to the east, along the Texan border. The Rio Grande seemed to be a "natural boundary" between the two countries, while the westerly line, which runs from its headwaters to the Pacific is physically imaginary; and only the treaty stipulation separates the States of Chihuahua, Sonora and Lower California from New-Mexico, Arizona and California. Again, the distance of these three States from the Central Government at the City of Mexico, operates to weaken the tie of authority; and, finally, the commercial, mining and political advantages possibly resulting from a union with the United States, have been apparent.

On the other hand, the drift of our own policy has seemed to be toward absorbing or accepting, in due time, the States of Northern Mexico. The vast sea-coast and gulf-coast line of Lower California, Sinaloa and Sonora, together with certain mineral, agricultural and commercial advantages, have long rendered these three States especially desirable in the eyes of a portion of our countrymen.

When at length our interposition was successfully invoked, a few years ago, to remonstrate with NAPOLEON, and so expel France and Austria from the sister Republic, it was commonly expected that the return for interference would be the cession of northern territory to our domains. Whether that expectation was founded on fact or fancy, whether it was just or unjust, and how it was that our direct diplomatic negotiations with Mexico were suspended, are matters apart from the present question. Enough to say that, so soon as it was found that no the ground upon which, for example, Savoy went to France, *other* grounds were sought out for the same result. A large party in Mexico to-day advocates (according to our correspondent) the cession of northerly territory to the United States as the best settlement of the money claims which American citizens hold and will press.

Be that as it may, it is clear that Northern Mexico has for years been agitating—with hope or fear—emancipation to the Union. No bitterer hostility against Americans exists than in that region, out of fear of this calamity; no warmer sympathy than there, out of hope of this blessing.

At this juncture has arisen, it seems, a new element in the problem, and one of moment—this is no less than an alleged movement for a "new Republic in Northwestern Mexico." The Juarez Government has always been weak in this locality; *any* government is weak *anywhere* in Mexico, and there are always plotters to overthrow it, and sub-plotters to overthrow *them*. But here distance, dissatisfaction and the other causes just mentioned have been peculiarly operative. In addition, however, to the chronic discontent, there were some recent sources of weakness for the authorities. Gen. CORONA, who had long kept peace, as many other men could not, in and around Mazatlan, returned with the new year to the City of Mexico, and his departure was, we judge, the signal for outbreak. His successor is described as "a man of dissolute habits, giving universal dissatisfaction, who would receive little sympathy in case of overthrow." The new Collector commenced his career at Mazatlan by calling on the merchants to pay over all their deficits, and the new Comptroller of Customs by grossly insulting three German Captains of European merchant vessels in the harbor.

Under such circumstances occurred the *émeute* which is described as "an outbreak of the people;" and, though it was "quickly suppressed by the civil and military authorities," we are not surprised by the news that "a serious difficulty is liable to break out again at any moment." It is unsafe, as experience teaches, to prophecy regarding Mexican affairs; but all signs go to show that there will soon be, in all the Pacific coast States of Mexico, more serious business for the Government than at any time since the downfall of MAXIMILIAN.

Postponing Trials on Account of Sickness.

Judge BENEDICT seems to have become suspicious of the prevalence of disease among the parties who are charged with being engaged in whisky frauds, and, as appears from the proceedings before him yesterday, he seems disposed to apply judicial remedies, and that hereafter, if sickness is put forth as an excuse for a postponement of a criminal trial before him, the fact must be verified by a witness, who shall be sworn in open Court, so that the District-Attorney may have the opportunity to inquire into the particulars of the case generally. It must be confessed that there has been some foundation for this course on the part of the Court. We all recollect what persistent ill health there was among the counsel in the Blaisdell-Eckel case. The case against BELKNAP and others has been postponed repeatedly for his illness, and now the case against LEIPSINGER & BERRINGER meets the same difficulty.

This postponement on account of illness is one of the anomalies of the law. If a party wishes to have his case postponed for absence of a witness, he has to make affidavit that he has stated to counsel what he expects to prove by the witness, and that his counsel advises him that the witness is material. But if illness is the plea, the mere certificate of a physician has been always accepted as sufficient proof of the fact. This has been doubtless out of respect to the medical profession, it being assumed that a respectable physician would not certify that a man was sick unless he was so. The same rule, however, applied to the legal profession would have made the certificate of counsel as to the materiality of the witness sufficient. But it was always required that the party should swear that he had fairly stated to the counsel what the witness would prove. A similar caution would seem to require the affidavit of the party that he had fairly stated his symptoms to the doctor. Then, if the doctor gives his certificate, we do not see but that the two cases are parallel.

This course, proposed by Judge BENEDICT to be adopted, is another way of getting at it, and perhaps as satisfactory a one. It may require the District-Attorney to have a medical education, in order to properly examine the witnesses; but then lawyers are always supposed to be competent to handle all subjects whatever.

MINOR TOPICS.

The criminal calendar for the last month is heavy; and Recorder HACKETT, in his charge to the Grand Jury, speaks of the "exceeding boldness" which has recently been the characteristic of crime in this City. He argues forcibly that this can only be met by decision and promptness on the part of Courts and Juries. Delays in trial are inimical to public safety as well as to justice; but the old rule of the Court providing for *postponements* on arraignment of prisoners, which has fettered the District-Attorney and wearied witnesses, is now repealed, and therefore the delays which have hindered the course of law can now be avoided. We are really glad to see the recent waking up of legal functionaries—the Recorder, the City Judge, the District-Attorney and others—in regard to the punishment of crime, now so fearfully prevalent in the City. Let the criminal laws be rigidly enforced for half a year, and the work of the Courts will be vastly diminished in the next half of the year.

As Mr. ROBINSON's labors in Congress are about to expire, he has commenced laying out work for himself after the close of his term. In his Fenian speech in the House on Tuesday, he roared out that he "would *kick any man into the middle of next week who would talk about a treaty with England* until she first liberated the American citizens whom she held in prison." We trust that Mr. ROBINSON will begin to carry out his fellow-members of Congress. He may have some hard work there, but then the practice will be of benefit to him. The traditionary Hibernian trails his coat tail on the ground and defies anybody to tread on it; but Mr. ROBINSON goes far beyond the rest of his countrymen.

There was an actual fist-encounter in the Gold Room yesterday, between two of its members. It began in the tomfoolery so common in that arena. If the disgraceful spectacle has the effect of inducing the more serious *bulls* and *bears* of the Gold Exchange to intervene for the prevention of the silly pranks and practices daily witnessed there, the bloody noses will not have been in vain.

Our State Legislature is besieged about as much as Congress for aid to railroad schemes. The *Post* prints a list of "jobs" which have made or are about to make their appearance at Albany, and among these are railroad jobs enough to bankrupt the State. Grants are asked for a railroad from Rondout to Utica, for the Whitehall and Platteburg Railroad, for the Midland Railroad, for the Albany and Susquehanna Railroad, for the road from Poughkeepsie to the Massachusetts line; and in order to satisfy everybody, a bill has been introduced to grant to all new railroads, over twenty miles long, $4,000 per mile from the State Treasury. This last proposition is frightful enough; but we had better have it enacted at once, than have the whole of the jobs passed one by one, in succession.

We suppose that at least one hundred of the book-printers, now on a strike, are possessed of cash in hand to the amount of $100 apiece. We do not doubt that more than a hundred of them have each $1,000 in the savings bank; but suppose one hundred were to put together their spare means to the amount of $100 apiece, there would be a fund of $10,000. This would enable them to establish a coöperative printing office, to purchase the material, pay the first quarter's rent and begin business. This would be wiser than losing thousands of dollars by remaining for weeks on the "strike." There is one coöperative printing office in the City, which is a success. There is now a first-class opportunity for starting another, where the workers may get all the profits, and there will be no capitalists or masters to complain of.

The Judges blame the Police, and the Police blame the Courts, for neglect of duty in their joint work of securing the punishment of crime. Recorder HACKETT says that, in his experience, the Police give small attention to ferreting out the necessary testimony against offenders, and acquittals for want of Police coöperation are frequent. He says that our Police are not, as in other cities, trained to work up evidence, but, after making arrests, leave this business to magistrates and clerks and grand juries. He speaks severely of our antiquated Police system and its bad management, saying that no Police improvements have been initiated for fifteen years; that jealousies and distrust are prevalent throughout the body, and that it wants young and vigorous blood along with diplomatic counsel. This is sharp language, but it is time both the Police and the Courts were waked up to take effective steps for the repression of crime.

Of course we knew it was of no use to protest against the Common Council taking $20,000 of the money of the hard-working men of this City, and dividing it among themselves and the manufacturers of poor fire-crackers, under the pretext of celebrating WASHINGTON'S Birthday. And we knew that the workingmen out of whose pockets it would come would make no protest against the conduct of the Common Councilmen. The New-Yorkers are a queer set. They are always hard up for money when it is wanted for public improvements or beneficence; but they have always plenty for extravagance and waste.

Mr. S. B. CHITTENDEN should be more careful than he is in dealing with facts and figures; for even the extenuated form he has recently given to his Chamber of Commerce raid on the "rotten National Banks" leaves him open to the charge of extraordinary ignorance. He says that what he meant was that "the capital of one-third the National Banks is *impaired*." Mr. C. probably has precise knowledge of the condition of *one* bank from his position as director; but he ought to know that sworn official returns demonstrate that the *surplus* of the aggregate National Banks is *more than twenty per cent. of their capital*.

The injustice and cruelty connected with the imprisonment of innocent persons at the House of Detention, is forcibly shown up in the report of the Board of Metropolitan Police. Certainly, "such oppressive measures ought not to be tolerated in a free and Christian country;" and the report indicates to the Legislature how a remedy may be found for them.

The insurrections which have broken out in Algeria and Montenegro against the French and the Turks, will give a few thousand troops the chance of "sharpening their swords" or rather of blunting them. The Algerines are as persistent in their opposition to French authority as the Montenegrins are to Turkish authority. But fate is against them; and their successive insurrections only result in diminishing the numbers that are left to take part in the next outbreak.

Mr. BERGH calls upon the public and the Press, if they really desire to abate the nuisance of cramming in City cars and stages to insist on the immediate passage of the bill which has been introduced to the Legislature:

"That every stage or vehicle used for carrying passengers, and drawn by two horses, shall not carry more than twelve passengers; and railroad cars, twenty-four passengers, with driver and conductor; and every passenger shall be provided with a comfortable seat."

We like the principle of the bill, but it needs amendment. On the Third-avenue line, for example, cars run as closely as they well could, and yet, for nearly every hour of the day, every car is crowded with the clustering masses of passengers eager to get up or down town. On Mr. BERGH'S plan, it would require a continuous line of cars along the whole route to convey the multitudes who are compelled to travel by the Third-avenue; and *that* would bring about untold inconvenience and "confusion worse confounded." The fact is we must be satisfied with modifying the present abominable system, cruel to beasts and demoralizing to human beings, until such times as we have new and better means of locomotion between the upper and lower parts of the City.

Recorder HACKETT is opposed to the Legislature forbidding citizens from carrying pistols. The last Grand Jury desired the Legislature to take this step; but the Recorder says that, in the law against carrying concealed weapons, pistols were purposely omitted. By the enforcement of this prohibition, good citizens would be placed at a disadvantage; for while they obeyed the law and thereby were defenceless, ruffians

would carry pistols in disregard of the law. The Recorder, however, argues in favor of a law that would make it a very hazardous business to use a pistol.

A bill was yesterday introduced to the Assembly incorporating the New-York Empire Railroad Company, with power to construct a railroad along the following streets:

Commencing at Thirty-fourth-street, East River, to First-avenue to Twenty-third-street, Tenth-avenue, West, Christopher to the ferry; also from the foot of Canal-street, North River, along West-street to Spring, Macdougal, Fourth to University-place, Fourteenth-street, Third-avenue, Twenty-third-street, Second-avenue to Thirty-fourth-street to the river.

We should suppose there was "money" in this little bill.

Overriding the Public Vehicles.

NEW-YORK, Wednesday, Feb. 3, 1869.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Mr. D. R. GOULD yesterday introduced to the Legislature the following bill:

"That every stage or vehicle used for carrying passengers, and drawn by two horses, shall not carry more than twelve passengers, and railroad cars twenty-four, with driver and conductor, and every passenger shall be provided with a comfortable seat."

Now, if the public and the Press are in earnest, and really desire to abate this chronic social nuisance of packing public vehicles, let them insist in language that admits of no misinterpretation that this bill be passed without delay.

Respectfully, HENRY BERGH.

There is no great danger that the wishes of the Press or the public, in this matter of packing the cars and omnibuses of the City, will be misunderstood. The difficulty has not arisen from any "misinterpretation" of the language used by either on this subject,—but from the fact that the *managers* of both cars and omnibuses have hitherto been able to defeat any measure of this kind which has been brought forward. We apprehend that Mr. BERGH will find that this still continues to be the case. But we shall be very glad to see his well-known energy and public spirit brought to bear on the suppression of one of the greatest and most flagrant of the many evils which afflict the management of our City affairs. We are confident he will not lack the cordial support of both Press and public in his efforts to secure the passage of the bill.

AMUSEMENTS.

Theatrical.

OPENING OF BOOTH'S THEATRE.

Mr. EDWIN BOOTH'S Theatre, on the southeast corner of West Twenty-third-street and Sixth-avenue, was opened to the public last evening, and was very extensively occupied by the many-headed monster. The establishment is one of the most important ever dedicated to the art. Its exterior grandeur is only equaled by the beauty and brightness of its interior decorations. It lacks, however, the spacious freedom of the Grand Opera House, and is particularly deficient in lobby room. Ladies' dresses were rent and disordered last evening in a way that will bring a powerful interest to bear against the theatre. It is only under certain conditions that the sex permits itself to be crowded. As a rule it is best not to step on a woman's dress, unless, like poor *Mercutio*, you wish to be "scratched to death." What would have become of the attendance last night had an alarm of fire taken place, it is dreadful to think of. The alarm of water—and the skies were plenteous in their gifts—congested the little lobby, and made egress almost impossible. Mr. BOOTH can remedy this by having additional wickets, and will, no doubt, do so. Where so much has been done, it is hardly vain to look for more. At all events it is natural to do so.

The play selected for the opening, as our readers are well aware, was "Romeo and Juliet." Ere the tragedy had commenced Mr. BOOTH made his appearance before the audience, and in a few well-selected remarks referred to the calamity which nearly two years ago deprived the community of his services, and of his subsequent resolve to build a theatre worthy of the Metropolis and the drama. He then retired, changed his dress and the piece proceeded. Of this everything remains to be said. The waits which are inevitable on first nights, although never prolonged to the point of exciting inquietude or displeasure, led the performance into the most advanced stillnesses of the night. They who could remain were doubtless rewarded for their pains. Most certainly the early acts were the most marvelous specimens of stage production ever witnessed here. The scenery is absolutely perfect, and the proportions of the stage enable it to be worked also to perfection. There were "sets" last night which could not even be attempted at any other establishment, such, for instance, as the banqueting hall in *Capulet's* house and the celebrated Balcony scene. But to these and cognate topics we must hereafter refer, our habit being not to write a column before breakfast on the day of performance, and to insert a comma by way of comment after supper. The opening was a success worthy of the gravest attention, and trivial generalities and shimmering verbiage are hardly appropriate for the occasion. We may say hurriedly that Mr. EDWIN ADAMS seemed to divide the favor of the audience with Mr. BOOTH. He was called out (would that it were always possible!) after his death and appeared to be breathing quite freely. The fighting be it observed was furious on all sides. Miss MCVICKER'S *Juliet* was perhaps marred by timidity. Under any circumstances it is a proper subject for further comment, if not study. Much credit is due to Mr. MARK SMITH, not only for his excellent performance of *Friar Lawrence*, but for the general completeness of the stage arrangements. The new ropes and pulleys, and machinery and mechanics led to occasional delay, but never to disaster. The play was perfectly well studied, and followed the text of SHAKESPEARE more closely than usual.

Italian Opera.

Sandwiched between the German balls, which mark the rapid approach of Lent, we are to have a brief season of Italian opera, commencing on Thursday, Feb. 11, and ending with Mr. MARETZEK'S "Bal d' Opera" (he will call it so) on Easter Tuesday, March 30. There will be twenty regular performances in all, and the season is of course under the management of Mr. MAX MARETZEK, who promises us one or two novelties. Such in some wise will be the revival of MEYERBEER'S "Prophete," with appropriate scenery and dresses. The work is seldom given, even imperfectly. Some years ago Mme. LA GRANGE made a great success in the *rôle* of the heroine, and she will, we presume, sustain it on the present occasion. The present season, it is intimated, will be the farewell one of the lady. We seem to remember similar rumors in the past. In addition to "Le Prophete," Mr. MARETZEK announces the speedy production of DONIZETTI'S "Belisario," and a selection from the prevailing *repertoire*. There will undoubtedly be sufficient variety for a season of such brevity. The opera nights are Monday, Wednesday and Friday. This is preferable to the somewhat overwhelming dose which formerly was administered to us on almost every evening and morning of the week. We doubt, indeed, if the fashionable classes care for more than three performances, and it is not always certain that they care for these. One of the most agreeable occurrences of the season will be the *rentrée* of Miss CLARA LOUISE KELLOGG, who will make her farewell appearance under Mr. MARETZEK'S management.

That most charming but most mismanaged artiste is at present wandering round the villages of the West, giving as much delight as such dreary places are capable of absorbing. It is sad to think that one who was the joy of New-York, who considerably captivated London, and who might even have hung as a pet charm, near the heart of Paris, should have fallen to such base uses. She has many of the personal attributes of PATTI. She has the magnetism of a graceful *salon* presence which PATTI has shown is more highly appreciated in the capital of Art than the grosser Italian and German personalities, however rich in swell and abundance of sound. She may not conceal, like PATTI, under an apparent almost girlish playfulness and beautiful artlessness a very aged wisdom and a very cunning art, but she has a handsome compact brow, indicating far more intellect, and has all the air and manner of a *haute bolée* New-England lady, of which PATTI has none, and which being most rarely met with on the stage, exercises a considerable charm. She has, too, a good deal of the spiritual Hawthornian expression, and is what the French style eminently *gentile*. And while, like PATTI, her voice is not up to the strength of the grosser Italian prima donnas, it is more exquisitely cultivated, and capable of more astonishing musical gymnastics. With all of those qualities, full of delicate sensibilities, far more highly valued now in Paris than the stentorian Italian scream, she might have been made abroad a brilliant operatic success, and in this country a great one. But her history simply shows, what operatic philosophy teaching by examples everywhere shows, that a very shrewd financier may be a not very wise manager. *Ne sutor ultra crepidam.* She should never have been permitted to return here in six months. Even the minstrels linger through a greater length. Hence there is an unjust but natural distrust of her musical success in Europe. It is certain, too, that the bad management of last season did not relieve this impression. We learn now that Miss KELLOGG is doing well in Chicago, and we may conclude that under Mr. MARETZEK'S *ægis* her farewell appearances here will exhibit proper care and conscientiousness. Mr. MARETZEK'S general company does not differ materially from that of last season. There has been but little inducement to make new engagements, and there will be none at all if the present experiment does not succeed. Mme. AGATHA STATES is reengaged, as also are Signors BRIGNOLI, BOETTI, ORLANDINI and ANTONUCCI and Messrs. THEODORE HABELMANN and JOSEPH HERRMANN. To this list may be added the name of Mme. ROTTER. A natural fear will overtake the reader. It is that we are again to have polyglot performances. Be this as it may, we wish Mr. MARETZEK a prosperous campaign. If any of the ancient favor be revived, it may be yet possible to secure a better company for the Spring. Mr. MARETZEK, in fact, hints at this. If he would only take his own hint! We learn that the sale of boxes has been good. It should be borne in mind that subscribers for the entire season are entitled to a gratuitous admission to the Bal d'Opera.

Miscellaneous Musical Topics.

Opera Bouffe has found its way to Havana, where a Spanish troupe is playing under the management of the composer LATTAMBIDE. The prima donna ZAMACOIS and the tenor PRATS are spoken of very highly, and it is even hinted that the company may be heard in New-York.

A new lady violinist will shortly make her appearance here. She carried off the first prize at the Paris Conservatory, and her name is MARIE ROSE.

There is a prospect, we hear, of the artists who sang in the glee and madrigal entertainment recently given at Steinway Hall, of forming themselves into a society, in which case several other concerts may be looked for.

We learn that Mme. PAREPA-ROSA is so seriously indisposed that she has been compelled for the present to abandon her contemplated tour. Dr. N. R. SMITH, of Baltimore, furnishes us with the following particulars:

"For two weeks past Mme. PAREPA-ROSA has been under my care laboring under a severe attack of acute rheumatism. When she was first attacked it was supposed to be merely the effect of a sprain. The disease is always somewhat protracted, and completely disables the patient for a time. The cure, however, is usually complete, and she may hope to be perfectly well in some two weeks, and able to resume her professional duties."

We are glad to see that Mr. OSCAR PFEIFFER, the eminent pianist, has been received with much favor by the Bostonians. It is always a welcome and cheering thing to be received well by Bostonians. He played at Chickering's Hall, and has been highly praised in the papers—Boston papers, mind you. The *Journal* says: "He has complete mastery over the instrument, and brings out its varied effects in the most telling manner, both in music requiring grace, facility and subtlety, and in that requiring manual strength."

Mlle. CAMILLA URSO has been created an honorary member of the Philharmonic Society of Philadelphia, in recognition of her remarkable abilities as a violinist.

A new professor of magic, Mr. HASELMAYER, of whom rumor speaks encouragingly, will shortly give a series of entertainments in New-York. He has already bagged a private party of nearly 250 Press men and other influential citizens.

One of the most characteristic rondos in "Fleur de Thé," and a piece which will surely be popular not only for its sentiment but its melody, is the champagne song in the last act. It is in praise of that delectable wine, and of the particular kind manufactured by the Widow CLIQUOT: "S'il est un vin qu'on adore, de Paris à Macao, c'est le Cliquot; c'est le Cliquot." Any quantity of opera bouffe can be washed down with such noble and philanthropic reflections. The wine may help the song, but it is certain the song will help the wine.

The MENDELSSOHN Orchestral Union resumed their pleasant concerts at Irving Hall on Sunday. There were about sixty performers in the orchestra, thereby insuring to the instrumental numbers an unusual fullness of interpretation. A new and brilliant selection by CONRADE called "A Tour through Europe" gave much satisfaction. It touches gaily on the music of all nations, and furnishes several capital solos. The vocalists were Miss JENNIE PROUDFOOT, Master R. DE SOLLA and Mr. IGNATZ POLLAK. Several brilliant *morceaux* were played by Mr. HARRY SANDERSON, who was in capital condition, and the accompaniments were rendered by Mr. ARTHUR RITZMER and Mr. H. B. LESSERVE. The orchestral conductors were Mr. EDWARD MOLLENHAUER and Mr. H. B. DODWORTH. These concerts, which seem to widen the field of orchestral music, certainly deserve to be successful. They are cheap and good.

Reading.

Mrs. AUGUSTUS MAVERICK announces in our advertising columns, that she will give a public Reading at the Athenæum, in Brooklyn, on Monday evening next. Mrs. MAVERICK is not a professional reader, but she is a lady of refinement, culture and social position. We believe this will be her first appearance before the public.

BRIEF NOTES.

The Philadelphia Alumni of Harvard College are to dine together this month.

Gov. PALMER will veto, it is said, the Illinois bill to regulate fares on railroads.

A telegram from Portland, Me., says Judge GODDARD has obtained a verdict for $4,800 50 damages against the Grand Trunk Railroad for an insult by a conductor.

An Ohio paper styles the inauguration ball that quadrennial exhibition of the organized stupidity and concentrated vulgarity of the country. But Ohio is a long way from Washington—in some things.

The Pabodie will case at Providence, R. I., has been settled by compromise. The testator left several hundred thousand dollars to a female spiritualist or clairvoyant physician, who attended him in his last sickness, and at whose house he died.

The Massachusetts Legislature visited Prof. AGASSIZ'S Museum of Comparative Zoology, at Cambridge, on Tuesday.

The New-Hampshire Democratic State Committee organized on Tuesday, and intrusted the whole conduct of the campaign to an executive committee of five.

SAMUEL A. ARNOLD'S father is in Washington, laboring for the pardon of his son, who is at the Dry Tortugas.

Residents of Crawfordsville, Ohio, report the unusual occurrence of a rainbow in the north precisely at noon on Saturday, Jan. 30.

The Cincinnati City Council has granted permission to an individual to use the lamp-posts of the City for advertising purposes for five years. Some of the tax-payers protest against it.

The Republicans of New-Mexico have renominated Hon. J. FRANCISCO CHAVES for Delegate to Congress.

Orders have been received from the Home Government to resign, on the 1st of next May, all barracks held on lease in Canada.

In a recent speech in Virginia, Mr. A. H. H. STUART said that "Gen. LEE not only heartily agreed with the new movement, but was among the first to suggest the ideas which control it."

TELEGRAMS.

THE EASTERN QUESTION.

The Greek Ministers Refuse to Sign the Peace Conference Protocol.

LONDON, Wednesday, Feb. 3.

There is now no doubt that the Greek Government has agreed to the resolution of the Paris Conference.

LONDON, Wednesday, Feb. 3—7:30 P. M.

A dispatch has just been received from Athens, conveying the unexpected intelligence that the Greek Ministers have refused to agree to the signing of the protocol of the Paris Conference, and that they have tendered their resignations to the King.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The Challenge of American Yachtsmen Accepted.

LONDON, Wednesday, Feb. 3.

J. ASHBURY, the owner of the British yacht *Cambria*, is in receipt of the note of WILLIAM DOUGLASS, of New-York, the owner of the *Sappho*, written on the 19th ult., proposing an ocean yacht race between their respective vessels. Mr. ASHBURY accepts the challenge, and suggests the following as the route as best adapted to fairly test the sea-going qualities of the yachts: From Cowes, eastwardly through Spithead, around the Isle of Wight, thence westwardly to and around the Eddystone Light-house, thence southeasterly to Cherbourg, France, thence northerly to Cowes, the place of beginding, through the Solent.

LONDON, Wednesday, Feb. 3.

The Petition of the Irish Bishops for the right of convocation has been rejected.

Mr. W. E. FORSTER, President of the Board of Health, retains his seat in Parliament as member for Bradford, the petition against his election having failed.

ALGERIA.

A Revolt Among the Native Tribes.

PARIS, Wednesday, Feb. 3.

A revolt has broken out among the natives of Algeria. It is confined to the wild tribes in a district remote from the French settlements.

The Duke of Magenta has been ordered to Algeria.

PARIS, Wednesday, Feb. 3—Evening.

News has been received to-night from Algeria that the insurgents have been defeated, and the revolt suppressed. The department in which the disturbance broke out is now tranquil.

SPAIN.

Confession of the Murderers of the Governor of Burgos.

MADRID, Wednesday, Feb. 3.

Five of the prisoners implicated in the assassination of the Governor of Burgos have confessed their guilt.

CUBA.

A Serious Riot in the Town of Bejucal between Spaniards and Cubans.

HAVANA, Wednesday, Feb. 3.

A serious riot occurred a day or two since in the town of Bejucal between Spaniards and Cubans. Several of the participants were badly wounded.

The city continues entirely tranquil.

A steamer arrived yesterday from Spain with a large number of troops on board.

The steamship *Maryland* sailed for Baltimore to-day.

FIRES.

Destruction of the International Hotel at St. Paul—Fires Elsewhere.

CHICAGO, Wednesday, Feb. 3.

The St. Paul, Minn., International Hotel was burned this morning. The guests barely escaped with their lives, and lost all their clothing. The total loss is over $100,000.

CHICAGO, Ill., Wednesday, Feb. 3.

Early this morning the wholesale and retail grocery of THOMAS B. DUFFIE, No. 563 Morgan-street, was burned. The loss is $5,000.

POUGHKEEPSIE, Wednesday, Feb. 3.

At a late hour Saturday night the distillery of F. W. JENNINGS, on the Kingston and Wilber post road, together with an adjoining building and barn, was destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at $11,000. The property is fully insured.

PITTSBURG, Penn., Tuesday, Feb. 2.

The Pipe Works of EVANS, CLOW, DALZELL & CO., of this city, were destroyed by fire this evening. A number of frame dwellings were also burned. The loss will be heavy. Shortly before midnight the works of JAMES BROWN, hardware dealer and locksmith, situated in the rear of his store on Wood-street, were also discovered to be on fire. The building and contents were destroyed. Loss $15,000.

UNADILLA, N. Y., Wednesday, Feb. 3.

STILLSON'S hardware store, CHAMBERLAIN BRO.'S drug store, BRUSH BRO.'S clothing store, BARNE'S flour and feed store, residence and wagon-house, together with the grocery store of R. H. JACKSON, at Franklin, Delaware County, were destroyed by fire this morning. Loss in buildings and goods, $40,000; insurance not ascertained.

CHICAGO, Ill., Wednesday, Feb. 3.

The International Hotel, at St. Paul, Minn., and five adjoining frame structures, were destroyed by fire this morning. The fire caught in the laundry from the careless use of a candle. Nearly 200 guests were carried out in a fainting condition. They lost their clothes and baggage. Parties from Louisville, Ky., yesterday negotiated for the purchase of the building, offering for it $110,000. MEALL BROS., the owners, had an insurance on the building of $36,000. E. C. BELOTE, the proprietor, lost $28,000 in furniture. The total loss exceeds $100,000. The insurance is divided among several companies in small sums.

The carpenter shop and lumber-yard of VALENTINE JABEL, of Peoria, Ill., were burned yesterday. The loss is nearly $8,000.

Murder in Iowa—The Missouri Legislature and Insurance Companies.

ST. LOUIS, Wednesday, Feb. 3.

HENRY WALTERS, an old citizen of Keokuk, Iowa, was murdered on Sunday last by four men who shot him as he was mounting his horse, then brutally beat him with clubs and stones. Two men were arrested on suspicion.

The bill which has been introduced into the Missouri Senate for the government of Insurance Companies, proposes to first create an Insurance Department; second, to enact a law regulating Fire and Marine, Live Stock, Health, Accident and other companies. None but fire and marine companies can be organized upon the mutual plan. Companies of other States must have $100,000 paid-up capital. Life companies can be organized upon the stock or mutual plans; if on the latter, they cannot create a guaranteed fund. Life Insurance Companies must make a deposit with the State Treasurer. Companies that have such deposit at home, are not required to deposit in our State.

Preparation for the Upper Missouri River trade for the coming season is being made. The late action of the Board of Underwriters, in requiring steamers to come up to a certain standard of strength, gives assurance of greater security to property than heretofore. The Government will also transact its business differently. Instead of contracting with the lowest bidders, the Chief Quartermaster of this Military Division will select his own boats for the service. The Government last year lost about a million of dollars worth of property by the sinking of inferior boats.

The Board of Trade of this city have indorsed the protest of the Philadelphia Board of Trade against that clause in the Bankruptcy act known as the "fifty per cent" provision.

THOMAS ALLEN, the pugilist, arrived here yesterday, and will go into training at once. The third deposit was made last night. Great interest is felt in the coming fight, and the betting is quite lively.

The New-Jersey Legislature.

TRENTON, N. J., Wednesday, Feb. 3.

A bill was introduced in the State Legislature to-day to tax life insurance companies one-half of one per cent. on all premiums, and thus create a new source of revenue. All the insurance bills have been postponed until Tuesday. The Committee on procuring a bronze statue for Gen. KEARNEY and a marble one for RICHARD STOCKTON, reported to-day that they would cost $17,000. But $10,000 has as yet been appropriated.

THE SHIPPING INTEREST.

General Convention of Vessel-Owners and Captains in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Wednesday, Feb. 3.

The National Convention of Shipowners and Captains assembled here to-day. It was attended by delegates representing $27,000,000 of capital.

HENRY R. EDMUNDS presided, with a large number of Vice-Presidents, including R. C. Sturgis, of Boston; J. W. Sinnell, of Boston; R. Waterman, of New-London, Conn.; James Van Brunt, of New-York; James Baker, of Boston; Nathaniel Crowell, of Providence, R. I.; E. S. Backett, of New-York; Lewis Adams, of Nantucket; E. S. Cartwright, of New-Jersey; W. H. Kendall, of Jersey City; Hon. John W. Hall, of Delaware; G. W. Jones, of New-Haven, and L. H. Hopkins, of New-York.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, Vessel-owners and Captains, in their individual capacity as such, have been and are subjected to many impositions, annoyances and inconveniences, which we believe may be readily remedied by united action; and,

Whereas, Detention of our vessels without just compensation, and the collection of Harbor Masters' and Port Wardens' fees contrary to the decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States and the Constitution, are two of the annoyances and impositions; and,

Whereas, We believe that it is to the interest of vessel-owners and Captains at large that associations for their mutual benefit, protection and advantage should be formed in all the principal cities and towns; therefore,

Resolved, That the vessel-owners and Captains of the several States, in Convention, assembled do urge upon all persons engaged in vessels the necessity for the formation of associations, auxiliary to the Vessel-owners' and Captains' Associations of the State of Pennsylvania.

Resolved, That the object of this Convention is for the purpose of correcting abuses, and protecting vessels and owners from alleged exactions, not for the purpose of fixing prices to the detriment of commerce.

Resolved, That the Captains and owners of vessels belonging to the several associations now organized and to be organized, be instructed to refuse to pay all demands that are considered to be illegal by the association to which they belong.

Resolved, That when this Convention adjourns, it adjourn to meet on the first Wednesday in February, 1870, and that the call be issued by the Pennsylvania Association.

Meeting of the Pennsylvania Editorial Convention at Harrisburg.

HARRISBURG, Penn., Wednesday, Feb. 3.

The Editorial Convention met in the House of Representatives yesterday. Sixty-one papers were represented. A temporary organization was perfected in the morning, and a permanent one in the afternoon. An Editorial Association was formed, and a set of officers elected, H. T. DARLINGTON, of the Bucks County *Intelligencer*, being chosen President. A resolution was adopted urging the Legislature to make such amendment of the libel laws as to allow the admission of truth as evidence. A proposition to have the State laws published in all the papers elicited a warm debate, and was finally lost by a close vote. The Convention held an evening session, and adjourned to meet in January, 1870, in Harrisburg.

The Missing Tennessee School Fund.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Wednesday, Feb. 3.

The report of the Committee of Investigation on the missing school funds continues to excite a deep interest. In the House of Representatives to-day a resolution was adopted providing for the prosecution of all parties implicated. Speaker RICHARDS made a speech defending himself from the Committee's charges. Subsequently a resolution was offered to expel him for receiving a bribe, and he declared that he could not retain the position of Speaker while it was pending. Col. PROSSER, the representative from Davidson, was thereupon elected Speaker *pro tem*. A Committee of Investigation was appointed, and the resolution to expel the Speaker referred to it. The Committee will also investigate the charges against the members implicated.

The Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad.

HARRISBURG, Wednesday, Feb. 3.

The following bill passed both Houses of the Legislature this morning, and received the signature of the Governor. It is designed to prevent the New-York Railroad Companies from obtaining control of the Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad. The bill reads:

"It shall be lawful for the Board of Directors of the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad Company, by lot or otherwise, to so classify the members thereof that one-fourth, as near as may be, shall terminate their official terms as directors at the first next annual election. After being thus classified, the stock and bondholders shall elect only members of the Board of Directors necessary to fill vacancies created by expiration of the period of services fixed as aforesaid."

The Cattle Disease in Duchess County.

FISHKILL, N. Y., Wednesday, Feb. 3.

There is much alarm felt at Fishkill Plains, Dutchess County, among farmers, over the sudden death of several cattle belonging to SYLVESTER HAIGHT. The animals died in great agony in six or eight hours after the attack. A *post-mortem* examination has revealed nothing, and the farmers generally are much excited. It is feared that Mr. HAIGHT will lose the whole of his stock.

The Steamboat Lexington Burned at New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, Wednesday, Feb. 3.

The sidewheel steamer *Lexington* took fire at 2 o'clock this morning, and was totally destroyed. She was laying up waiting to be docked. She was insured for nearly her full value.

Preparations for the Mardi Gras festivities are in progress. The holiday and annual celebration by the "Mystic Crewe" promises to be unusually brilliant.

Weather Report.

NEW-YORK, Wednesday, Feb. 3—9 A. M.

Place.	Wind.	Weather.	Ther.
Plaister Cove	N. W.	Cloudy	12
Halifax	N.	Clear	18
Portland	N. E.	Snowing	27
Boston	S. W.	Snowing	40
New-York	N. E.	Raining	40
Philadelphia	N. E.	Raining	38
Wilmington	E.	Raining	40
Washington	N.	Raining	44
Fortress Monroe	S. E.	Foggy	56
Richmond	N. W.	Cloudy	40
Augusta	N.	Raining	55
Savannah	S.	Cloudy	68
Charleston	W. N. W.	Raining	65
Oswego	E.	Snowing	28
Buffalo	N. E.	Snowing	34
Pittsburg	E.	Cloudy	40
Chicago	N. E.	Cloudy	34
New-Orleans	W.	Cloudy	49
Key West	S. W.	Raining	76
Havana	N.	Cloudy	76

Miscellaneous Telegrams.

JACKSON, Miss., Feb. 3.—Ex-Gov. A. G. BROWN and H. F. SIMVAL last night left for Washington to represent the people of Mississippi before the Reconstruction Committee. They go at the solicitation of their fellow-citizens generally of both political parties.

BOSTON, Feb. 3.—It is reported that the robbery of Lieut. SISSONS, Treasurer of the Grand Army of the Republic, was concerted by himself, he having spent the money. He has secured its reimbursement. Deacon ELIJAH BAXTER, a highly respected resident of Quincy, was killed yesterday by being thrown from a wagon, the horses taking fright.

AUGUSTA, Me., Feb. 3—Evening.—The most severe snow-storm of the season prevails. About eight inches have already fallen and it is still snowing fast. The wind is northeast.

ALBANY, Feb. 3.—It is raining here to-night, and there is considerable thunder and lightning.

PERSONAL.

The American Geographical and Statistical Society will hold their regular monthly meeting this evening, at their rooms in the Cooper Institute, when PAUL B. DU CHAILLU, Esq., the well-known African explorer, will read a paper upon "Equatorial Africa, with an Account of the Race of Pigmies and of the Cannibal tribes."

Prof. E. N. KENT, for ten years melter and refiner of the Assay Office in this City, sails for Cuba on the 11th inst., and will remain in that island two or three months. His advertisement, in another column, will interest persons who may require his services in Cuba.

Gov. John T. Hoffman is at the Clarendon Hotel. Ex-Gov. Wm. Dennison, of Ohio; Gen. M. S. Littlefield, of Philadelphia; Hon. A. J. Drexel, of Philadelphia; Capt. T. E. Kivis, of the British Army; Hon. S. Turck, of Dubuque, and Gen. James Craig, of Missouri, are at the St. Nicholas Hotel. Gen. F. L. Olmstead, of the United States Army, is at the Metropolitan Hotel. Gen. Wickham, of Richmond, Va., and Lieut. King, of the British Army, are at the Fifth-avenue Hotel.

ALBANY.

Railroad Investigations—New-York and Brooklyn Gas Companies—Metropolitan Sewerage.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Wednesday, Feb. 3.

THE RAILROAD INVESTIGATIONS.

Mr. CAMPBELL, Chairman of the Railroad Committee of the Senate, which has been for the last three weeks investigating the subject of the extra issue of stock by the Hudson River, Central and Erie Railroads, with directions to report in thirty days, this morning asked for an extension of time, which was granted. It appears that the Railroad men do not respond to the summons of the Committee with that alacrity which would indicate a willingness to meet the investigation. JAY GOULD, it is said, will make his appearance here to-morrow to make such explanations as he may be able with regard to his transactions in Erie. When the resolution authorizing the investigation was first introduced into the Senate, Mr. CAMPBELL requested its reference to the Judiciary Committee, on the ground that the investigation would in all probability resolve itself into a legal question—whether the law as it now stands does or does not authorize the increase of stock in the manner in which it has been done by the Erie, Central and other roads. The progress of the investigation thus far has justified the suggestion of Mr. CAMPBELL. All of the roads claim to have acted in pursuance of law; and, as they doubtless availed themselves of the best legal advice before acting, it is not probable that their acts will be upset by any railroad investigations that may be set on foot by the Legislature. The Hudson River Road claims to have increased its capital stock pursuant to a special law. The Central claims to have done the same thing, partly in pursuance of special enactments and partly under the general Railroad law. The Erie claims immunity for its acts under the general Railroad law, which allows directors of railroad corporations to issue convertible bonds. This is the law whose abuse has caused all the difficulty. While the general Railroad law provides for the increase of capital stock in a proper manner, by the vote of two-thirds of the stockholders assembled for that purpose, yet another section permits the issue by the directors of bonds convertible into stock, thereby affording a means of practically increasing the stock to an unlimited extent without consultation with the stockholders. The investigations that have been ordered by the Senate and Assembly, while they may not result in undoing what has already been done by the railroad companies, will at least direct attention to the defects in the present railroad law, and probably terminate in such legislation as will prevent a repetition of the abuses hereafter.

THE GAS COMPANIES.

The New-York and Brooklyn Gas Companies are going to have their delinquencies exposed through an investigating Committee. They don't appear to have any friends in the Legislature—or anywhere else for that matter. Mr. MITCHELL'S resolution, offered to-day, proposes to examine into their affairs, and let the public know something about the manner in which they conduct business; how large profits they make, what quality of gas they supply, whether better gas cannot be furnished to the public at a cheaper rate, &c. Another New-York member has in preparation a resolution, which will probably be introduced to-morrow, directing an investigation into the character and construction of the meters used by the gas companies, and authorizing tests to be made by the Committee to ascertain their accuracy.

NEW-YORK SEWERS.

Mr. KEEGAN to-day called up his resolution for the appointment of a Committee of three to investigate the present system of sewerage in New-York City. He assured the House that it was not a "black-mailing resolution," but was *bona fide* and sincere, and offered for a praiseworthy object. He said the present system of sewerage prosecuted by the Croton Board was totally inadequate to the drainage of the City and an imposition on the tax-payers.

Mr. HITCHMAN indorsed all his colleague had said and added a good deal more. Not only had the present system of sewerage proved a failure, but he hinted at corruption in the Croton Board in the matter of contracts for the purchase of the tile pipes now being laid down as sewers. They would all, in his opinion, have to be taken up and replaced by the old-fashion brick sewers—in other words New-York must continue a sewerage system that has long been exploded and superseded in every other civilized city on the globe. It is evident that the new, economical and in every respect superior system of sewerage adopted by the Croton Board interferes with the plunder of New-York contractors, and must be abolished forthwith. Mr. MURPHY offered an amendment to the resolution, which was adopted, that no member be appointed on the Committee who represents a constituency south of Albany. The resolution was adopted as amended. S.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE..ALBANY, Wednesday, Feb. 3.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. HALE—To provide that whenever the Commissioners of the Land Office have power to make a grant of land to any party, they shall also have power to summarily inquire into the rights of each party thereto.

By Mr. STANFORD—To aid in the construction of the New-York Northern Railroad through the Wilderness.

By Mr. HUBBARD—For the relief of the Afton, Chenango County, town Commissioners.

By Mr. WILLIAMS—To provide that no policy of insurance on life issued by any company doing business in this State shall be forfeited by nonpayment of premium thereon.

By Mr. CHAPMAN—To provide that in all proceedings in any Court in which two or more persons shall be joined in the same indictment, a separate trial may be had; and the defendant not on trial may be a witness on behalf of the one on trial; but such evidence shall not be used against the person giving evidence; also, to make inspectors of plankroads and turnpikes inspectors of toll bridges; also, to authorize the City of Binghamton to widen the bridge at Court-street.

By Mr. MORGAN—Relative to Legislative printing.

By Mr. WICKS—To incorporate a Savings Bank at Elmira.

By Mr. CAULDWELL—Relative to town officers of Morrisania, Westchester County.

By Mr. BANKS—To incorporate the Excelsior Temple of Honor of Albany.

By Mr. PIERCE—To incorporate the Howard Literary Association of Brooklyn. The corporators named are JOHN E. LEECH, HENRY H. WHEELER and others.

By Mr. MURPHY—To authorize the Brooklyn Improvement Company to extend its Canal to Fourth-avenue; also, to direct the Collector of Taxes of Brooklyn to deduct from the budget of 1868, imposed upon property charged therein for the cost of improvement of Third-street, nineteen-twentieths of the amount assessed.

By Mr. PALMER—To provide that all Life Insurance Companies may invest their surplus funds in improved real estate, provided the property mortgaged is worth double the amount loaned thereon.

By Mr. PIERCE—To change the name of the New-York and Brooklyn Iron Tubular Tunnel Company to the New-York Tunnel Company. The Company may construct a tunnel of iron or masonry across the beds of the North and East Rivers at such points as may be determined upon.

BILLS PASSED.

To incorporate the German Liederkranz, of New-York.

To authorize the town of Perry, Wyoming County, to aid in the construction of a railroad.

To incorporate the Genesee Annual Conference.

To incorporate the Long Island Safe Deposit Company.

To regulate auction sales in Wellsville, Allegheny County.

To release to ROBERT JONES interest in certain lands in Oneida County.

Conferring additional powers on the University of the City of New-York.

For the relief of ELI A. BRONSON.

For the relief of EDWARD TODD.

To legalize certain proceedings taken to incorporate the Holy Angels Infirmary Academy.

PETER MCKNIGHT was confirmed as a notary for New-York. Adjourned.

ASSEMBLY.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. GOULD—Directing overseers of highways to deduct $3 from the highway tax of each inhabitant who may construct a watering trough by the public highway.

By Mr. CALKINS—To change the boundary of the town of Hamburg, Erie County.

By Mr. SARGEANT—Relative to taxes levied in Constable, Lewis County.

By Mr. FOX—To extend Union-avenue, Brooklyn.

By Mr. BERGEN—To provide it shall be lawful for any corporations operating street railroads to enter any street without the consent of one-half of the property-owners along the line; any company desiring to lay a street railroad must post printed notices to that effect along the projected route for six weeks before application is made to the Legislature for such a franchise.

By Mr. KIERNAN—To amend section 14 of title 8 of chapter 555 of the Laws of 1864.

By Mr. FREAR—Naming Roland S. Doty, John T. Connor, Garnett Van Nostrand, Stephen D. Burdick and others as first corporators of the Wayside Industrial Home of the City of New-York. The association proposes to establish an institution for the care and support of destitute children.

By Mr. JACOBS—To permit boats from daily newspapers published in New-York to approach vessels bound in for the purpose of gathering news. Also, relative to Reid-avenue, Brooklyn.

By Mr. HODGES—To repeal the act to open Maspeth-avenue, Brooklyn.

By Mr. KIERNAN—Naming Garret L. Schuyler, Jacob Voorhies, Leander Buel, Jos. M. Knecker, Allen J. Dennis and others as corporators of the New-York Empire Railroad Company, with power to construct a railroad along the following streets: Commencing at Thirty-fourth-street (East River) to First-avenue, to Twenty-third-street, Tenth-avenue, (west) to Christopher, to the ferry; also, from the foot of Canal-street, North River, along West-street to Spring, Macdougal, Fourth to University-place, Fourteenth-street, Third-avenue, Twenty-third-street, Second-avenue to Thirty-fourth-street to the river.

By Mr. PORTER—To direct part of the Croton Aqueduct, between the southerly side of One Hundred and Thirteenth-street, and southerly side of Ninety-third-street, to be discontinued, and empowering the Croton Department to build a brick or stone conduct for water beneath the surface at such depth as not to interfere with the grade of the avenue. Also, authorizing a loan to be made for doing the above work. Also, to amend the military code.

By Mr. HUSTED—Relative to the Dale Seminary Association. Also, to amend the charter of Sing Sing. Also, to amend laws relative to wharfage. Also, providing that no policy of insurance on life, hereafter issued by any company doing business in the State of New-York, shall be forfeited by nonpayment of premium thereon, any further than regards the right of the party insured therein to have it continued in force beyond a certain period, to be determined as follows: The net value of a policy when a premium becomes due and is not paid, shall be ascertained according to combined experience of actual rate of mortality, with interest at four per cent. per annum, after deducting from such value any indebtedness to the company, or not held by the company, against the insured; which notes, if given for premium, shall then be canceled. Four-fifths of what remains shall be considered as a net single premium of temporary insurance; and the term for which it will insure shall be determined according to the age of the party at the time of the lapse of premium and the assumption of mortality and interest aforesaid. If the death of the party occur within the term of temporary insurance covered by the value of policy, as determined in the previous section, and if no condition of the insurance other than payment of premium should have been violated by the insured, the company shall be bound to pay the amount of the policy the same as if there had been no lapse of premium, anything in the policy to the contrary notwithstanding; provided, however, that notice of the

FINANCIAL.

THE NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY.

OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK,
NO. 336 BROADWAY.

CAPITAL PAID IN,
ONE MILLION DOLLARS.

CHARTERED BY THE STATE.

DARIUS R. MANGAM, President.
JAMES MERRELL, Secretary.
RECEIVES DEPOSITS AND ALLOWS
FOUR PER CENT. INTEREST
ON DAILY BALANCES,
SUBJECT TO CHECK AT SIGHT.
SPECIAL DEPOSIT for Six Months, or more, may be made at five per cent.

The Capital of ONE MILLION DOLLARS is invested entirely in Government securities, and is divided among over 500 Shareholders, comprising many gentlemen of large wealth and financial experience, who are also personally liable to depositors for all obligations of the Company to double the amount of their capital stock. As THE NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY receives deposits in large or small amounts, and permits them to be drawn as a whole or in part by CHECK AT SIGHT and WITHOUT NOTICE, allowing interest on ALL DAILY BALANCES, parties can keep accounts in this Institution with special advantages of security, convenience and profit.

BANKING HOUSE OF
JAY COOKE & CO.
NO. 20 WALL-ST.,
CORNER OF NASSAU-ST., NEW-YORK.
NO. 114 SOUTH THIRD-ST., PHILADELPHIA.
NO. 448 15TH-ST., WASHINGTON.
We buy and sell at the most liberal current prices, and keep on hand a full supply of
GOVERNMENT BONDS OF ALL ISSUES,
and execute orders for purchase and sale of
STOCKS, BONDS AND GOLD.
We have added to our office a Retail Department for the accommodation of the public demand for investment in and exchanges of Government Securities, the purchase of GOLD and INTEREST COUPONS, and the sale of INTERNAL REVENUE STAMPS.
JAY COOKE & CO.

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BANKERS,
REMOVED TO
NOS. 16 AND 18 NASSAU-ST.
DEALERS IN ALL ISSUES OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES AND IN GOLD AND GOLD COUPONS.

CLOSING PRICES.
NEW-YORK, Feb. 3, 1869—3 P. M.

	Buy	Sell.		Buy	Sell.
Registered, 1881..	112¼	112¾	5-20 Coupon, 67.	109¾	109⅞
Coupon, 1881..	112¾	112⅞	5-20 Coupon, '68.	109⅝	109⅞
6-20 Regis., 1862..	109⅝	109¾	10-40 Regist'd..	102¾	103
6-20 Coupon, '62..	113¼	113⅝	10-40 Coupon...	108¾	108⅝
6-20 Coupon, '64..	109⅛	109¼	Gold.....	135¼	135⅝
5-20 Coupon, '65..	110⅞	111	U. S. Cur. Fun.	101⅜	102
5-20 Coupon, '65, Jan. and July..	108½	108¾			

BUY AND SELL ON COMMISSION,
RAILWAY STOCKS, BONDS AND GOLD,
MAKING LIBERAL ADVANCES.
INTEREST ON DEPOSITS.
HATCH, FOOTE & CO.
BANKERS,
AND DEALERS IN
GOVERNMENT SECURITIES, GOLD, STOCKS, &c.
Buy and Sell all issues of
U. S. BONDS
at MARKET RATES.
No. 12 Wall-st., New-York.

GIBSON, BEADLESTON & CO.,
BANKERS,
NO. 50 EXCHANGE-PLACE.
STOCKS, BONDS, GOVERNMENT SECURITIES, FOREIGN EXCHANGE and GOLD bought and sold on favorable terms.
INTEREST allowed on deposits either in Currency or Gold, subject to check at sight, the same as with the City Banks.
ADVANCES made on all marketable securities.
CERTIFICATES of Deposit issued bearing interest.
COLLECTIONS made at all points of the UNION and BRITISH PROVINCES.
LOANS negotiated on FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC PRODUCE, in store and afloat. We invite particular attention to this branch of our business, in which we have unusual facilities.
WINSLOW, LANIER & CO.,
BANKERS,
NO. 27 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK,
ISSUE LETTERS OF CREDIT for Travelers' use available in all parts of the world.
GOVERNMENT AND OTHER SECURITIES bought and sold at the Stock Exchange on usual commission.
Interest allowed on deposits.
BOWLES BROTHERS & CO.,
BANKERS AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
NO. 2 RUE DE LA PAIX, PARIS,
No. 19 William-st., New-York,
No. 76 State-st., Boston.
Make advances on American securities and cash coupons of the Government Bills on London or Paris bought and sold. Circular credits cashed.
Letters for Americans in Europe addressed to our care will be forwarded or delivered.
AUGUST BELMONT & CO.
Issue Letters of Credit, for Travelers' use, on
MESSRS. ROTHSCHILD,
in Paris, London, Frankfort-on-the-Main, Vienna, and their correspondents in all principal cities of Europe; also, make Telegraphic transfers on
CALIFORNIA AND EUROPE.
PACIFIC RAILROAD OF MISSOURI.
Holders of the coupons of Gold-bearing Bonds of the PACIFIC RAILROAD OF MISSOURI, due the 1st of February, will present them at the BANK OF AMERICA on and after that date for payment in GOLD, free from Government tax.
BROWN BROTHERS & CO.,
NO. 59 WALL-ST.,
Issue COMMERCIAL and TRAVELERS' CREDITS AVAILABLE in all PARTS of the WORLD.
MERCHANTS' AND MECHANICS' NATIONAL BANK OF TROY.—Notice is hereby given that a vote of the shareholders owning two-thirds of the stock of this Association to go into liquidation and be closed, has been taken, and that this Association is closing up its affairs accordingly.
And all holders of the notes of this association and other creditors thereof are hereby notified to present said notes and other claims against this Association for payment at the banking-house of said Association in the City of Troy.
Dated TROY, Dec. 31, 1868.
By order of the Board of Directors.
FRS. SIMS, Cashier.
This Bank has reorganized as a State Institution, and will continue business as usual, under the name of The Merchants' and Mechanics' Bank of Troy.
OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE AMERICAN MERCHANTS' UNION EXPRESS COMPANY, 115 BROADWAY.
NEW-YORK, Feb. 1, 1869.
ON AND AFTER THIS DATE the transfer books of this Company will be kept with the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company of New-York, No. 26 Exchange-place.
The conversion of the balance of the old stock of the Merchants' Union and American Express Companies into the stock of this Company will commence at Boston before to be done at the general office of the Company, No. 115 Broadway, New-York.
J. N. KNAPP, Secretary.
DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA AND WESTERN R. R. CO.,
GENERAL OFFICE, NO. 26 EXCHANGE-PLACE,
NEW-YORK, Feb. 1, 1869.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR OFFICERS and Managers of this Company for the ensuing year will be held at this office, on TUESDAY, the 23d day of February inst., at 12 o'clock M.
The polls will be open between 12 o'clock M. and 1 o'clock P. M.
The transfer books will be closed from the evening of the 2d inst. until the morning of the 24th inst.
By order of the Board of Managers.
CHARLES E. CARRYL, Secretary.
CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS, CINCINNATI AND INDIANAPOLIS RAILWAY COMPANY,
CLEVELAND, Ohio, Jan. 28, 1869.
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this Company for the election of Directors, and for the transaction of other business, will be held at the office of the Company, in Cleveland, on WEDNESDAY, the 17th of February next, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M.
The transfer books will be closed from the evening of Feb. 6 until Feb. 18.
GEO. H. RUSSELL, Secretary.
SOUTHERN SECURITIES WANTED.—The highest market rates paid for Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee and Louisiana Five Per Cent. Bonds; also, Memphis and Charleston Stock, Wilmington and Manchester Stock, Mortgage Bonds, Mississippi and Tennessee First Mortgage Bonds, Pratt Due Wilmington City Bonds, Norfolk City 6 per cent. Bonds and Stock, and Charleston 6 per cent. Stock. By J. M. WEITH & CO., Nos. 45 New-st. and 70 Broadway.

FINANCIAL.

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
MANHATTAN
LIFE INSURANCE CO.
OF NEW-YORK,
NOS. 156 AND 158 BROADWAY,
Jan. 1, 1869.

RECEIPTS DURING THE YEAR 1868.

For Premiums, Extra Premiums, &c.....	$1,874,796 40
For Interest.....	310,327 26
For Interest and Rents accrued.....	80,216 63
Total.....	$2,265,340 29

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Claims by death on Policies and Bonus, and Payment of Annuities.....	$461,835 00
Paid Expenses, Salaries, Taxes, Revenue Stamps, Medical Examiners' Fees, Commissions, &c.....	311,895 12
Paid Dividends, Return Premiums, Purchased Policies; and Bonus Interest on Dividends, &c.....	387,023 58
Total.....	$1,180,753 65

ASSETS.

Cash in Bank and on hand.....	$49,911 87
Bonds and Mortgages.....	1,234,055 00
Loans on Policies in force.....	2,033,080 08
[The actuarial estimates of the value of the Policies which secure these Notes is about $2,000,000.]	
United States and New-York State Stocks	712,605 00
Quarterly and Semi-Annual Premiums deferred, and Premiums and Interest in course of collection and transmission.....	649,342 54
Temporary Loans on Stocks and Bonds....	596,225 00
[Market value of the Securities, $637,775.]	
Interest due to date and all other property.	92,318 10
Total.....	$5,357,537 59

ADVANTAGES TO INSURERS.
Smallest average Ratio of Mortality.
Expenses average less than any Company.
Liberal modes of Payment of Premiums.
Insurers receive the largest Bonus ever given.
Dividends made Annually on all Participating Policies.
All kinds of Non-Forfeiting Life and Endowment Policies issued.
Policies Incontestible.
All Endowment Policies and the Non-Forfeiting Life Policies non-forfeitable after one Payment.

HENRY STOKES, President.
C. Y. WEMPLE, Vice-President.
J. L. HALSEY, Secretary.
S. N. STEBBINS, Actuary.
H. Y. WEMPLE, Assistant Secretary.
A. DUBOIS, M. D., } Medical Examiners.
H. G. PIFFARD, M. D., }
R. C. FELLOWS, Counsel.

California Pacific Railroad Company.

FIRST MORTGAGE TWENTY-YEAR SEVEN PER CENT.
GOLD BONDS.
PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN GOLD COIN.
COUPONS PAYABLE FIRST JANUARY AND JULY, AT NATIONAL PARK BANK, NEW-YORK, FREE OF GOVERNMENT TAX.
THE UNDERSIGNED OFFER A LIMITED NUMBER OF THE ABOVE DESIRABLE BONDS, AT PAR, WITH ACCRUED INTEREST IN CURRENCY.
The total amount of Bonds authorized to be issued is $2,250,000.
LESS THAN $22,000 PER MILE.
THE LARGER PORTION OF WHICH HAS ALREADY BEEN SOLD.
THESE BONDS ARE SECURED BY A FIRST MORTGAGE ON THE ENTIRE PROPERTY OF THE COMPANY,
including their valuable LANDS, WHARVES and WATER PRIVILEGES at Vallejo and elsewhere.
Total length of road, 105 miles.
Finished, fully stocked and equipped, and now running from Vallejo to Sacramento, 60 miles.
The monthly earnings on this portion of the road *are now nearly three times the monthly interest on the entire issue of Bonds.*
This road is the most direct route between San Francisco and Sacramento, reducing the time between these two cities to three and one-half hours.
The Marysville line is in process of construction; the grading of nearly completed, one-third of the iron on hand, and the balance purchased, shipped, and expected to arrive in February. The road will be completed early this season.
The road-bed is of most substantial character—permanent, solid, and completely ballasted. The iron is of the best quality. The rolling stock and equipment are in every respect first-class.
The country through which this road runs is entirely exempt from either snow, ice or frost, and its agricultural resources surpass those of any portion of the State.
From satisfactory proofs, received by us from reliable parties in California, of the great present value and future prospects of this road, we do most unhesitatingly recommend these securities to our friends and the public as a first-class investment,—safe, and in every respect desirable.
Pamphlets, maps and other information can be had on application to the subscribers.
TURNER BROS., Bankers,
No. 14 Nassau, corner Pine-st.

FOR SALE.
$200,000 FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS OF THE
CEDAR FALLS and MINNESOTA RAILROAD CO.
Interest 7 per cent. payable semi-annually.
This road is leased to and operated by the ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY, the minimum rental which that Company pays under the lease being more than sufficient to pay the interest on the entire issue of bonds. Apply to
J. S. KENNEDY & CO., No. 41 Cedar-st.

FIRST-CLASS HOME INVESTMENT.
50,000 First Mortgage Bonds of the Southside Railroad Company of Long Island for sale on very favorable terms. These bonds are all that are in the hands of the Company, and all that will be offered by them; the security is undoubted, as the property is on completing nearly three times the amount; the road is completed and running from the ferry to Patchogue, and doing a large business. For further particulars inquire of KETCHUM & CLARK, 68 Wall-st.
OFFICE OF THE ATLANTIC AND GREAT WESTERN } PETROLEUM COMPANY, No. 122 BOWERY, CORNER } GRAND-ST, NEW-YORK, Feb. 3, 1869.
AN ELECTION FOR SEVEN TRUSTees and three Inspectors for the next ensuing election, will be held on MONDAY, the 15th, between the hours of 3 and 4 o'clock P. M. The transfer books will remain closed until that date.
W. A. HALL, Secretary.
PACIFIC RAILROAD OF MISSOURI.—Six per cent. bonds, principle and interest payable in gold, for sale on favorable terms by
S. SKAATS & BRO.,
No. 19 Broad-st.
ALL KINDS OF SOUTHERN SECURities bought and sold by LEVY & BORG, No. 41 Pine-st.

DIVIDENDS.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF THE REPUBLIC, } NEW-YORK, Jan. 29, 1869.
A DIVIDEND OF 4½ PER CENT., free of all taxes, has this day been declared, payable on Monday, 8th February, prox., till which date the transfer books are closed.
GEO. H. STUART, Cashier.
BROADWAY INSURANCE COMPANY, } No. 154 BROADWAY, N. Y., Jan. 19, 1869.
THIRTY-SIXTH DIVIDEND.—THE Board of Directors have declared a semi-annual Dividend of Eight per Cent, free from tax, payable on and after Feb. 1.
JOHN WRAY, Secretary.
OFFICE OF EXCELSIOR FIRE INSURANCE CO., } No. 120 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 19, 1869.
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a semi-annual Dividend of Five per Cent., free of Government tax, payable on demand.
SAMUEL M. CRAFT, Secretary.

SAVINGS BANKS.

UNION DIME SAVINGS BANK,
Nos. 396 and 398 CANAL-ST., corner LAIGHT.
SIX PER CENT. INTEREST ON $5 TO $5,000.
ASSETS, $5,836,736 53.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

CITY OF NEW-YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, }
BUREAU OF THE RECEIVER OF TAXES, }
COURT-HOUSE, PARK, No. 32 Chambers-st. }
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all arrears of Personal Taxes now due are to be paid at the office of ANDREW J. SMITH, Esq., Attorney for the Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes, No. 132 Nassau-st., and that the books relating to such arrears will be found at said office.
No person but the said attorney or the undersigned is authorized to receive or receipt for such arrears, except in cases of warrants issued hereafter, when the Marshal to whom the same is directed will have legal authority to collect the amount included therein, and all warrants heretofore issued to enforce the payment of any Personal Taxes are hereby countermanded.
Dated New-York, Jan. 19, 1869.
BERNARD SMYTH, Receiver.
IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF the Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against JOHN BURGY, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers, at the office of Messrs. H. BURGY & CO., No. 7 Exchange-place, in the City of New-York, on or before the 31st day of January next.
Dated New-York, July 31, 1868.
HENRY Y. BURGY, } Executors.
VICTOR DE LAUNAY, }
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HELP WANTED.

WANTED—AGENTS—$75 TO $200 PER month, everywhere, male and female, to introduce the GENUINE IMPROVED COMMON SENSE FAMILY SEWING MACHINE. This machine will stitch, hem, fell, bind, quilt, cord, bind, braid and embroider in a most superior manner. Price only $15. Fully warranted for five years. We will pay $1,000 for any machine that will sew a stronger, more beautiful or more elastic seam than ours. It makes the "Elastic Lock Stitch." Every second stitch can be cut, and still the cloth cannot be pulled apart without tearing it. We pay agents from $75 to $200 per month and expenses, or a commission from which twice that amount can be made. Address SECOMB & CO., Pittsburg, Penn., Boston, Mass., or St. Louis, Mo. CAUTION.—No men be imposed upon by other parties palming off worthless cast-iron machines, under the same name or otherwise. Ours is the only genuine and really practical sheep machine manufactured.
PRINTERS.—A GOOD BOOK PROOF-READer wanted; a competent man may be sure of a steady place at fair wages. Apply to BAKER & GODWIN, *Tribune* Buildings.
WANTED—A FIRST-CLASS LAUNDRESS. One who understands fluting and all kinds of fine washing, and who can furnish unexceptable references, may call at No. 40 West 36th-st., between 6 and 12 o'clock.
WANTED—A RESPECTABLE WOMAN AS wet nurse, with a fresh breast of milk. Apply between 10 and 1 o'clock, at No. 63 West 48th-st.

AUCTION SALES.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.
AUCTION SALE OF 64 CENTRAL PARK LOTS.
ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction, on MONDAY, Feb. 15, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway:
SIXTY-FOUR CENTRAL PARK LOTS,
COMPRISING
THE ENTIRE BLOCK BOUNDED BY THE 8TH AND 9TH AVS., 70TH AND 71ST STS.,
TO BE SOLD IN LOTS.
EIGHT specially prominent CENTRAL PARK FRONTS. The title of the premises, being a portion of the
HARSEN ESTATE,
is unexceptionable, and a full abstract prepared by Messrs. Wetmore & Bowne, will be furnished to each of the purchasers without charge.
Two-thirds of the purchase money may remain on bond and mortgage for three years.
ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.
VALUABLE PROPERTY ON BROADWAY, CHURCH, DUANE AND WORTH STS., TO BE LEASED AT AUCTION.
ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction on TUESDAY, Feb. 16, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway—
BY ORDER OF THE UNDERSIGNED, A COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE SOCIETY OF THE NEW-YORK HOSPITAL: THE FIFTY-EIGHT LOTS COMPRISING ALMOST THE ENTIRE BLOCK BOUNDED BY BROADWAY, CHURCH, DUANE AND WORTH STS., WILL BE LEASED AT AUCTION ON THE ABOVE-MENTIONED DAY.
This property is located in the centre of the heavy business of the city, on high ground, with dry, sandy soil, and surrounded by first-class improvements. The leases will be for a term of 21 years, with the usual convenants for renewal, and will be similar to those made by the "SAILORS' SNUG HARBOR," which have always been considered as most favorable for the lessee. The advantage of holding long leases on property in the business portion of the City is demonstrated by the large bonus which has been paid for those made by the Sailors' Snug Harbor, amounting in many cases almost to the value of the fee. The leasing of the above-described property at auction will afford an opportunity that in all probability will never again occur for procuring leases of building sites that must, from the constantly increasing demand for business property in this City, soon be worth a large premium, especially as this property is by law
EXEMPTED FROM TAXATION.
JAMES W. BEEKMAN,
JOHN DAVID WOLFE,
ROB'T. I. LIVINGSTON,
JACKSON S. SCHULTZ,
JAMES M. BROWN.

PRIVATE LIBBARY AT AUCTION.
Clinton Hall Salerooms and Art Galleries, Astor-place.—LEAVITT, STREBEIGH & CO., Auctioneers.—FRIDAY EVENING, Feb. 5, at 7 o'clock. Private library of the late Rev. T. Sisting, comprising a very choice and select collection of theological works; best English editions. Also, many valuable miscellaneous works among which may be specified: Appleton's Encyclopedia, 16 volumes, 8vo., sheep; Library of the Fathers, 24 volumes, 8vo., cloth; Parker Society Publications, 30 volumes, 8vo., cloth; Huystenberg Christian Antiquities, 4 volumes, cloth; National Portrait Gallery, 4 volumes, morocco, &c., &c. Catalogues ready and books on exhibition.
U. S. DISTRICT COURT.—IN THE matter of CHARLES A. MORFORD, a bankrupt.
Pursuant to an order of the Court made in the above-entitled matter, I will sell at public auction, by James M. Miller, auctioneer, at the real estate salesrooms, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New-York, on the 17th day of February inst., at 1 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, the following debts and other property:
A promissory note of Winchester Britton, dated Sept. 28, 1862, at three months, for $600.
A promissory note of Brittou & Ely, dated Oct. 26, 1862, at two months, for $345 76.
A promissory note of Catharine E. Conover, dated Oct. 1, 1865, at four months, for $2,622, payable to and indorsed by D. D. Conover and duly protested.
A promissory note of Abel T. Collins, dated Nov. 7, 1865, at three months, for $475, payable to and indorsed by John Dearborn and duly protested.
Two promissory notes of C. R. Woodworth, each for $500, one dated Nov. 9, 1865, at two months, and one dated Dec. 5, 1865, at three months; and with these notes the following collaterals belonging thereto: 350 shares of the stock of the Hoosac State Company and 4,220 shares of the stock of the Hudson River State Company.
A promissory note of Garret D. Clark, dated April 6, 1866, at three months, for $100.
A promissory note of Robert Renfrew, dated Oct. 27, 1865, at sixty days, for $200; and with this note, notes of Robert Renfrew, one dated Nov. 14, 1859, at four months, for $362 26, and one dated March 23, 1861, due March 30, 1861, for $45, and one dated Feb. 2, 1862, for $3; and the collaterals for the last-named Renfrew, an invoice and bill of lading for a box, dated in 1859.
A promissory note of Oscar C. Ferris, dated Dec. 13, 1866, at one month, for $600, payable to and indorsed by C. R. Woodworth and duly protested; and with this note, 500 shares of the stock of the Hoosac State Company, the collateral thereto.
A promissory note of F. Allerman, dated Feb. 2, 1867, at thirty days, for $25.
A promissory note of James Donnelly, dated June 24, 1865, at seven months, for $512 93.
A promissory note of Erastus Flat, dated Dec. 8, 1865, at two months, for $155, payable to John Dearborn, and indorsed by him and S. B. Russell and duly protested.
A promissory note of S. B. Russell, dated Oct. 6, 1866, at three months, for $135.
A promissory note of J. Simpson, dated June 18, 1867, at one day, for $380 92.
A check dated June 2, 1865, for $400, made by Richard Taylor, and indorsed by A. Drake, Jr. and C. Drake & Co. and duly protested.
A check dated Aug. 12, 1861, for $150, made by Thomas Cunningham.
A check dated July 3, 1865, for $350, made by William Johnston.
A check dated July 10, 1865, for $800, made by I. Johnson, and indorsed by William Johnston and duly protested.
A check dated Feb. 10, 1866, for $60, made by Walter Scott.
A check dated Aug. 17, 1866, for $1,000, made by George G. Mecklem.
A judgment against the Hoosac State Company in Supreme Court, Jan. 9, 1867, for $1,962 39, and with this the note of C. R. Woodworth, dated Dec. 6, 1866, at one month, for $2,000, being a collateral thereto.
A chattel mortgage made by C. R. Woodworth for $2,000, payable Jan. 9, 1867, encumbering 40 horses.
A judgment in Supreme Court, March 7, 1867, against C. R. Woodworth, for $627 15.
A judgment in the Marine Court, March 2, 1864, against John Cornish, for $161 19.
A judgment in Supreme Court, Jan. 7, 1865, against Edward H. Betts, Thomas Burrough and James H. Lyon, for $603 93.
Two judgments in Supreme Court against Elias Simmons, one Dec. 26, 1862, for $459 03, and one Dec. 26, 1862, for $1,092 28.
Two judgments in Supreme Court against Henry Simmons, Sept. 28, 1863, one for $3,187 11, and one for $1,463 61.
A judgment in Supreme Court against Daniel Feitner for $236 77, and with this a judgment in Supreme Court against Daniel Feitner and Henry Wardell for $673 66, being a collateral to first judgment.
A judgment in Supreme Court against John Cornish, Dec. 16, 1867, for $77 50.
A judgment against Catharine N. Sinclair for $208 75, date and Court unknown.
A judgment in Supreme Court against William Vouch for about $168 88.
Judgment against the following-named persons, the date and Court unknown: William Marsh for $630 72; E. Swackhamer, $546 33; A. B. Mortley for $629 49; Henry Stanton and Thomas Chase for $1,000; George N. Mott for $1,350; Andrew Bachus for $50 33.
Claims in open account against the following persons: James Roebotham for $636 94; Frederick Kuster for $80; C. W. Robson for $61 65; Watt & Keating for $39 24; A. Simpson for $1,418 95; G. G. Mecklem for $249 70.
A claim against Levi P. Rose, and with it two notes of Thomas W. Birdsall, one dated March 24, 1866, at sixty days, for $2,000, and one dated May 3, 1866, at thirty days, for $1,000, indorsed by Rose and collateral to the claim.
A claim against John Dearborn for $736 27, and with it two notes, one made by John C. Smith, due April 2, 1864, for $365, one made by Abraham B. Rapelyea, due Feb. 7, 1865, for $200, and a policy of Washington Life Insurance Company, on life of John Dearborn, for $2,000, held as collateral for the claim.
A claim against Evans & Cook for $402 48, and with it two notes filed as collaterals, one made by William F. Walker, due Aug. 15, 1866, for $813 25, and one made by J. E. Beach & Co., due Aug. 13, 1866, for $652 50, both indorsed by Evans & Cook.
A claim against Cook & Co. for $400 02, and with it two notes held as collateral for it, one made by M. A. Levy, due Feb. 1, 1867, for $427 40, and one made by A. F. Levy, Due Feb. 1, 1867, for $80.
Also the claims of the said Bankrupt against the City of New-York, on or before the 31st day of January next.
Dated New-York, July 31, 1868.
HENRY Y. BURGY, } Executors.
VICTOR DE LAUNAY, }
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AUCTION SALES.

GREAT SALE OF CITY LOTS
ONE ENTIRE BLOCK,
IN PLOTS OF ONE OR MORE LOTS,
Will be sold at auction
BY JAMES M. MILLER,
At the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway,
WEDNESDAY, Feb. 10, at 12 o'clock.
This property, which is most desirably located, is bounded by the 7th-av. Boulevard, 8th-av., and 147th and 148th sts.
The 7th-av. Grand Boulevard is 150 feet wide, handsomely laid out, and upon the completion of the proposed improvements will be the handsomest avenue in the world.
It is proposed to extend the 8th-av. Railroad line, and the cars will, no doubt, soon be running past the property on that avenue.
For diagrams and further particulars, apply at the office of the auctioneer, No. 28 Pine-st.
SALE PEREMPTORY.
Title to above property is unquestionable, having been in the family of present owners for nearly
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JAMES M. MILLER, Auctioneer—Office No. 28 Pine-st.
BY JAMES M. MILLER.
THURSDAY, FEB. 4,
at 12 o'clock, at Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, (under the direction of Nathaniel Jarvis, Jr., Receiver, by order of the Supreme Court,)
THE VALUABLE PAPER-MILL AND PROPERTY OF THE SALISBURY MILLS MANUFACTURING COMPANY, SITUATED AT SALISBURY MILLS, ORANGE COUNTY, N. Y., ABOUT EIGHT MILES FROM NEWBURG, ON THE ERIE RAILWAY.
The property consists of about four acres of land in different parcels, contiguous to the railroad depot, a large stone mill, about eighty feet square, four stories high, slate roof, heated throughout with steam and lighted with gas, containing a steam elevator, a 125-horse power steam engine, Wright's patent; one 62-inch Fourdrinier paper machine, and all necessary connecting and running machinery and fixtures for the manufacture of fine writing paper; also, a boiler-house, boilers, rag-house, bleach-boiler, dam, water-power, water-wheels, filters, gas-house, gasometer and apparatus and pipes, seven dwelling-houses, store-house, workshop, stables, furniture, &c., &c.
For particulars, and for terms of sale, apply to the receiver, Nathaniel Jarvis, Jr., Room No. 13 City Hall, or BANGS, SEDGWICK & NORTH, Attorneys for Receiver, No. 137 Broadway.
ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.
PEREMPTORY SALE OF IMPROVED PROPERTY ON MAIDEN-LANE, CEDAR AND WEST 14TH STS., by order of the heirs to close the estate of HERMAN BRUEN, deceased.
ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction on THURSDAY, Feb. 4, 1869, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, by order of the heirs to close the estate of Herman Bruen, deceased:
MAIDEN-LANE.—The lot of land, with the brick building thereon, No. 88 Maiden-lane, long known as "Clarke & Brown's Coffee-house;" lot 27 feet 2 inches front, 26 feet 10 inches rear, 63 feet 1 inch on westerly side, and 62 feet 1 inch on easterly line.
CEDAR-ST.—The lot of land, with the brick store thereon, No. 13 Cedar-st., in the rear of the above; lot 27 feet 8¼ inches front, 28 feet 10 inches rear, 68 feet 7¼ inches on westerly side, and 70 feet 5 inches on easterly side.
WEST 14TH-ST.—The four-story English basement brown-stone front house and lot, No. 19 West 14th-st., (old No. 164,) on south side, 475 feet west of 7th-av.; lot 25x103 feet 3 inches.
Sixty per cent. of the purchase money may remain on bond and mortgage.
For full particulars and maps apply at the office of the auctioneers, No. 7 Pine-st., New-York, or of EVARTS, SOUTHMAYD & CHOATE, 52 Wall-st.
ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.
HOUSES AND LOTS ON 92D AND 93D STS. at auction.
ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction on THURSDAY, Feb. 4, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway:
93D-ST.—The three-story and basement brick house and lot situate on the northerly side of 93d-st., 250 feet west of 3d-av. The house is 45 feet deep, and has stb-cellar, furnace, gas, &c.; the gas fixtures are sold with the house. Lot 17.5x100.3.
92D-ST.—The two lots on the south side of 93d-st., commencing 350 feet west of 3d-av., each 25x100.8. Lots are free from rock.
92d-ST.—The three-story high stoop brick house, situate on north side of 92d-st., 300.6 feet west of 3d-av., being the eighth house west; house 25x45, with an extension of 9 feet; has all modern improvements and in good order. Gas fixtures and mirrors sold with the premises. Lot 25x100 feet 8 inches.
ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.
HOUSE AND LOT ON 106TH-ST. AT AUCTION.—ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction, on THURSDAY, Feb. 4, 1869, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway:
106TH-ST.—The new four-story, high-stoop, brown-stone front house and lot, (Mansard roof,) situate on the north side of 106th-st., 175 feet west of 9th-av. The house is 20 by 40 feet; contains 17 rooms, and has the modern improvements. Lot, 20 by 100.11. Two-thirds can remain on mortgage.
MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.
EXECUTORS' SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY ON BROAD, NELSON, BEACH AND EAST TWENTY-THIRD STS., AND COUNTRY SEAT AT ISLIP, LONG ISLAND.
E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction on TUESDAY, Feb. 9, 1869, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, (Trinity Building,) New-York, by order of the executors of Joseph Meeks, deceased:
BROAD-ST.—The three four-story brick stores and lots Nos. 43, 45 and 47, east side, near Exchange-place. The stores have an average front of 21 feet by 123.7½ north line, and 146.1¼ south line. Possession of all May 1, 1869.
BROAD-ST.—No. 52, running through and connecting with No. 50 New-st., with four-story brick building, being 20.11 on Broad-st., 25.3 on New-st., by 135.10 in depth; subject to a lease which expires May 1, 1871, at $7,500 per annum.
BEACH-ST.—No. 11, northwest corner of St. John's lane, with two-story attic and basement brick dwelling, 20 by about 65 feet; lot 20x80. Possession on delivery of the deed.
EAST 23D-ST.—The first-class four-story brown-stone high-stoop house and lot, new No. 120 (old No. 74) East 23d-st., south side, 250 feet east of 4th-av.; house 25 by 60 feet, lot 25 by 98.9. Possession May 1, 1869.
ISLIP, LONG ISLAND.—Elegant country seat, with about 15 acres, handsomely outbuildings, with two small stores attached; also, about 3½ acres near by.
Fifty per cent. of the purchase money can remain on bond and mortgage for three years.
JOHN MEEKS,
JOSEPH W. MEEKS, } Executors.
WILLIAM H. MEEKS, }
Book maps and full particulars at auctioneers' office, No. 3 Pine-st., or ROBERT T. MEEKS, No. 80 Cedar-st.
MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.
HANDSOME HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AT AUCTION.—E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction on THURSDAY, Feb. 4, 1869, at 10 o'clock, at the private residence No. 127 Lexington-av., between 28th and 29th sts.:
The entire furniture contained in said house, consisting of rosewood and black walnut parlor suites in brocatel and reps; black walnut, Turkish and reception chairs; rosewood buffet, centre tables, rosewood etegere; bronzes, ormoin mantel clocks, mantel mirrors, lace curtains, fine shades, oak hall furniture, and chairs, black walnut bedstead, dressing bureaus, washstands, rockers, lounges, hair mattresses, bolsters and pillows; black walnut chairs, velvet and Brussels carpets, oil-cloths, &c.
Catalogues at No. 3 Pine-st.
MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.
EXECUTORS' SALE OF DESIRABLE BUSINESS PROPERTY ON BROADWAY, CROSBY, NEW, BROAD, CANAL AND LIBERTY STS., AND MAIDEN-LANE.
E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction on TUESDAY, Feb. 9, 1869, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, by order of the executors of Joseph Meeks, deceased, the
Broadway, Nos. 502 and 504, running through to Crosby-st., 46 feet front, 60 feet rear, by 200 feet deep.
Broad-st., Nos. 58, 60 and 62, through to 56 New-st.
Maiden-lane, No. 40, 42 and 44, to Liberty-st.
Canal-st., Nos. 510 and 512, near Greenwich-st.
For full particulars and books, maps, which are now ready, apply to the auctioneers, No. 3 Pine-st.
MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.
PEREMPTORY SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY, NORTHWEST CORNER AVENUE C AND 13TH-ST.
E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction on THURSDAY, Feb. 11, 1869, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway:
NORTHWEST CORNER AVENUE C AND 13TH-ST.—Valuable plot of ground, with front and rear buildings, with 5-story mill, together with 2 boilers, steam engine, 3 Burr mills, 2 elevators, pulleys, shafting, &c.; plot 19 feet 9 inches on Avenue C and 88 feet on 13th-st. Possession on delivery of the deed. Fifty per cent. of the purchase money can remain on bond and mortgage. Maps, &c., at the auctioneers' office, No. 3 Pine-st.
A. J. BLEECKER, SON & CO., Auctioneers.
J. BLEECKER, SON & CO. WILL sell at auction on
MONDAY, Feb. 8,
At 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway;
SD-AV. AND 30TH-ST.—The valuable plot of ground now occupied by Messrs. Lauter & Brother as the well-known coal yard on the northerly corner of 3d-av. and 30th-st., comprising a front of 200.6 feet on 3d-av. and 200 feet on 30th-st. This is one of the most valuable plots for a grand public building on the avenue. On the rear of the ground on 30th-st. is a large brick first-class stable, under-drained, very complete, fitted for sixteen horses.

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Drafts issued payable at any bank in Great Britain and Ireland.
For further information apply on the steamers, foot of Dey-st., or at the Company's office, 7 Bowling-green, New-York. HENDERSON BROTHERS.

LIVERPOOL AND GREAT WESTERN STEAM COMPANY.
FOR LIVERPOOL.
From Pier No. 46 North River, WEDNESDAYS.
MINNESOTA.....Feb. 17, at 9 A. M.
NEVADA (new).....Feb. 24, at 1 P. M.
COLORADO.....March 3, at 9 A. M.
NEBRASKA.....March 10, at 1 P. M.

Cabin passage, $80, gold; Steerage, $30, currency.
Tickets to bring out passengers from Europe can be obtained on reasonable terms.
For freight or passage apply to
WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 71 Wall-st.
For steerage passage to
WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 29 Broadway.

CUNARD LINE OF STEAMERS.
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.
FROM NEW-YORK EVERY THURSDAY.

PALMYRA.....Feb. 4|SIBERIA.....Feb. 18
RECIA.....Feb. 11|ALEPPO.....Feb. 25

RATES OF PASSAGE FROM NEW-YORK:
Cabin.....$80 Gold.
Steerage.....$30 Currency.

Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown at lowest rates.
For freight or passage, apply at No. 4 Bowling-green. E. CUNARD.

NATIONAL LINE.
THE STEAMSHIP PENNSYLVANIA, HALL
Will leave SATURDAY, Feb. 6, at 12 M., from Pier No. 47 North River.
Passage to Liverpool or Queenstown: Cabin, $100; Steerage, $30, currency.
Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown, $37, currency.
Apply at the Company's office, No. 69 Broadway.
F. W. J. HURST, Manager.

FOR LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN.
—Inman line of mail steamers are appointed to sail as follows:
CITY OF BALTIMORE....Saturday, Feb. 6, 1 P. M.
CITY OF CORK (via Halifax).Tuesday, Feb. 9, 1 P. M.
CITY OF PARIS.....Saturday, Feb. 13, 1 P. M.
CITY OF ANTWERP.....Tuesday, Feb. 16, at Noon.
And each succeeding SATURDAY and alternate TUESDAY, from Pier No. 45 North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE
PAYABLE IN GOLD.

		PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.	
First Cabin	$100	Steerage	$30 and 35
To London	105	To London	35 and 40
To Paris	115	To Paris	42 and 47
Halifax	20	Halifax	15
St. John's, N. F., by } Branch Steamer	45	St. John's N. F., by } Branch Steamer	30

Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at reduced rates.
Tickets can be bought here at moderate rates by persons wishing to send for their friends.
For further information apply at the Company's Offices, JOHN G. DALE, Agent,
No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

STEAM COMMUNICATION DIRECT
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND NEW-ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIA, VIA PANAMA.
THE PANAMA, NEW-ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL COMPANY dispatch a steamer every month, sailing from Panama about the 20th, upon the arrival of the British mail steamer at Aspinwall. The Pacific Mail Company's steamer leaving New-York for Aspinwall on the 9th of each month will make the necessary connection. Passengers and cargo booked through from New-York to the several Colonial ports.

A special steamer runs to the newly discovered gold region of Hokitika.

For further information regarding rates of freight, passage money, &c., &c., apply to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, No. 59 Wall-st., or to
CHARLES W. WEST, Agent,
No. 23 William-st., New-York.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S
THROUGH LINE TO
CALIFORNIA AND CHINA.
Through rates, New-York to San Francisco:

First Cabin.		Second Cabin.	Steerage.
Outside.	Inside.		
$275	$225	$150	$76

Steamers of the above line leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 o'clock noon,

FOUR TIMES A MONTH,
On 1st, 9th, 16th and 24th,
except when those days fall on Sunday, then the day previous.

One hundred pounds baggage free to each adult. Medicine and attendance free.

Feb. 9—ALASKA, Capt. A. G. GRAY, connecting with GOLDEN CITY, Capt. LAPIDGE.

Steamer leaving Feb. 9 connects closely with steamer CHINA, leaving San Francisco March 5, 1869, for China and Japan.

For passage tickets and all further information, apply at the Company's ticket office on the wharf, foot of Canal-st., or at No. 5 BARY, Agent.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS BY PACIFIC Mail Steamship Company's steamer ALASKA, sailing on TUESDAY, 9th inst., 12 M. Freight received until 4 P. M. on MONDAY, 8th inst. All usual facilities afforded shippers in collecting inland charges.
F. R. BABY, Agent.

FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL.
UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 23d of every month:
SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. E. L. TINKLEPAUGH, Feb. 23.
MISSISSIPPI, Capt. GEO. B. SLOCUM, March 23.
MERRIMACK, Capt. W. WIER, April 23.

These splendid steamers sail on schedule time, and call at St. Thomas, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For engagements of freight or passage, apply to
WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling-green, New-York.

U. S. MAIL TO HAVANA.
ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
Sailing regularly every THURSDAY, at 3 o'clock P.M. (preceding days from No. 4 North River.

MORRO CASTLE, Capt. R. ADAMS.....Feb. 4
COLUMBIA, Capt. E. VAN SICE.....Feb. 11
EAGLE, Capt. M. K. BERENE.....Feb. 18

For freight or passage apply to
S. G. WHEELER, Jr., President,
No. 5 Bowling-green.

FOR NASSAU, N. P.
UNDER CONTRACT WITH THE BAHAMA GOVERNMENT FOR CARRYING THE
ROYAL MAILS.
THE ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY will dispatch the splendid side-wheel steamer
MORRO CASTLE, Capt. R. ADAMS, Feb. 25,
at 3 o'clock P. M., precisely, from Pier No. 4 North River. For engagements of freight or passage apply to S. G. WHEELER, Jr., President, No. 5 Bowling-green.

FIRST STEAMER FOR
GALVESTON, TEXAS, VIA KEY WEST.
Freight taken as low as by any other line.
The favorite steamship
TYBEE,
E. A. DELANCY, Commander,
is now receiving freight at Pier No. 4 North River, and will positively sail on SATURDAY, Feb. 6, at 3 o'clock P. M.
For freight or passage, having superior accommodations, apply to
SPOFFORD, TILESTON & CO.,
No. 29 Broadway.
No charge made for drayage in Galveston on goods forwarded to the interior by railroad. Also goods forwarded to Indianola, Lavaca and Brazos, without commission.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.
THE CROMWELL LINE.
Steamships of this Line will leave Pier No. 9 North River, at 3 o'clock P. M., as follows:
CORTES.....NELSON.....SATURDAY, Feb. 6
MARPESSA.....KENNEY.....SATURDAY, Feb. 13.
Freight taken for St. Louis, Mobile and Galveston at through rates.
For passage, first and second class, or freight apply to the agents, H. B. CROMWELL & CO., No. 36 West-st.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS,
CALLING AT HAVANA.
Carrying the United States mails.
The well-known side-wheel steamship
BIENVILLE, Capt. H. BAKER, Commander,
will leave Pier No. 34 North River, foot of Beach-st., SATURDAY, Feb. 6, at 3 o'clock P. M.
DE SOTO follows.....Feb. 13.
RAPIDAN follows.....Feb. 20.
VIRGO follows.....Feb. 27.
Through rates and through bills of lading given to Galveston, Indianola, Lavacca and Rock Port, Texas; Mobile, Florida and ports on the Mississippi River.
No Havana freight received on day of sailing.
For freight or passage apply to
LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., No. 48 Liberty-st.

UNITED STATES PASSPORT BUREAU.—Official passports of the Department of State issued by A. G. WILLIAMS, United States Passport Agent, No. 41 Chambers-st.

BOARDING AND LODGING.

A GENTLEMAN WITH TWO CHILDREN desires to take a suite of apartments with a private family, upon liberal terms; location above 14th-st.; giving and requiring reference. Address Box No. 1,322 Post Office, with particulars.

A WIDOW LADY WOULD LIKE TO let two furnished rooms to two gentlemen; house but people of quiet, refined habits need apply; good neighborhood; three minutes' walk from Broadway. Address for two days E. W. B., Box 6,743 Post Office.

A FEW SINGLE GENTLEMEN CAN obtain board in a private family in Newark. For terms apply to THOMAS RUSSELL, No. 33 Chambers-st., New-York.

TO LET—IN NINTH WARD, PARLOR AND bedroom, furnished, with partial board, to single middle-aged gentlemen; family private. Apply at No. 658 Greenwich-st.

NO. 1,214 BROADWAY—A LARGE AND handsomely-furnished front room to let; will accommodate two gentlemen; rent reasonable; one door below 30th-st.

NO. 54 WEST 23D-ST.—TO LET, WITH board, parlor and hall, handsomely furnished, second floor, front; also rooms for single gentlemen. Terms moderate.

NO. 4 EAST 16TH-ST., ONE DOOR FROM 5th-av., furnished apartments, three rooms en suite, with conveniences complete, to let with private table only.

A PRIVATE FAMILY WILL LET, FURnished, a second-story front room, with bath attached; best of reference required. Inquire at No. 112 East 17th-st.

VERY ELEGANT NEWLY-FURNished rooms for gentlemen, with breakfast if desired, in 55d-av., one block from 6th-avenue Hotel. Address ROOMS, Post Office Box No. 1,807.

TO LET—ONE LARGE ROOM ON THIRD floor, with board, with two large closets, at No. 18 West 25th-st.; will be vacated on Thursday, Feb. 4.

A GENTLEMAN WISHES BOARD IN a Christian family, where there are no other boarders. Address R., Box No. 168 *Times* Office.

NO. 34 WEST 40TH-ST., BETWEEN 5th and 6th avs.—First-class rooms on second and third floors, with board.

A GENTLEMAN AND WIFE OR SINgle gentlemen may obtain pleasant rooms at No. 28 West 29th-st.

FIFTH-AV.—NO. 125.—A FURNISHED floor to let, with private table; also single rooms, with or without board.

NO. 52 WEST 15TH-ST.—A FRONT room and bedroom on second, and back room on third floor, with good board.

NO. 217 WEST 36TH-ST.—FURNISHED rooms to let, with or without board; reference required.

TO LET—IN A PRIVATE FAMILY, A FURnished room, on second floor, to a gentleman, without board. Call at No. 15 East 18th-st.

NO. 21 WEST 19TH-ST.—VERY FINE rooms to let, with board; references exchanged.

VERY DESIRABLE ROOMS, WITH board. Apply to U. C., No. 103 Liberty-st.

NO. 20 WEST 16TH-ST.—A FIRST-CLASS room with board for gentlemen.

RAILROADS.

LONG ISLAND RAILROAD.

Leave James-slip 8:30 A. M., Mail train for Greenport; 10 A. M., Northport, Huntington and Glen Cove; 3 P. M., Express, River Head; 4 P. M., Northport, Huntington and Glen Cove; 5:30 P. M., Farmingdale and way stations. All trains connect with branch to Hempstead. Sunday train at 9 A. M. from Hunter's Point for Northport, Huntington and Glen Cove.

I. D. BARTON, Superintendent.

ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS LEAVE DEpot foot of Chambers-st., Pavonia Ferry:

8 A. M. Way Train, daily, for Otisville and intermediate stations.

10 A. M. Express Mail, for Dunkirk, Cleveland, Cincinnati and all points West and South.

3:15 P. M. Way Train, for Middletown and intermediate stations.

4 P. M. Way Express, stopping only at Sterling Junction, Turner's, and stations west of Turner's, (except Egbert's, to Newburg, Warwick, Montgomery, Unionville and Port Jervis.

5 P. M. Way Train for Suffern and intermediate stations.

6 P. M. Way Train for Suffern and intermediate stations.

6:30 P. M. Night Express, daily, for all points West and South. By this train sleeping coaches will run through to Buffalo, Rochester and Cincinnati, without change.

8 P. M. Emigrant Train, daily, for the West.

Also Way Trains for Rutherford Park, Passaic and Paterson at 6:45 and 9:15 A. M., 12 M., and 1:45, 4:15, 6:45 and 11 P. M. On Wednesday nights a Theatre Train at 12 o'clock for Suffern and intermediate stations.

SUNDAY TRAINS.—8:30 A. M. Way Train for Otisville; 1:45 P. M., for Paterson; 6:30 P. M. Night Express, for Rochester, Buffalo, Dunkirk, Cleveland, Cincinnati, and all points West and South; 8 P. M. Emigrant and Way Train; 11 P. M. for Paterson and Port Jervis.

Express Trains run through to Buffalo, Rochester, Dunkirk, Cleveland and Cincinnati without change of coaches, and in direct connection with all Southern and Western lines.

Perfectly ventilated and luxurious sleeping coaches accompany all night trains.

Tickets can be obtained at the Company's offices, No. 241 Broadway and depot foot of Chambers-st, New-York; also, at Long Dock Depot, Jersey City.

WM. R. BARR, Gen'l Pass. Agent. H. RIDDLE, Gen'l Supt.

HUDSON RIVER AND HARLEM RAILROADS.—On and after MONDAY, Nov. 23, 1868, trains for Albany and Troy, connecting with Northern and Western trains, will leave New-York as follows:

8 A. M. Express Train via Hudson River Railroad, 30th-st. and 10th-av., through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars, and connecting at Troy with trains for Rutland and North. Drawing-room cars from New-York to Rochester, connecting with this train for the West, via either North or South Shore Line.

10 A. M. Express Train via Harlem Railroad, 26th-st. and 4th-av., connecting at Chatham with Western Railroad for Lebanon Springs, Pittsfield, &c., at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga, Rutland, Burlington and the North.

11:30 A. M. Express Train via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Albany with Western trains for the West. Drawing-room car attached to this train through to Troy.

5:30 P. M. Express Train via Hudson River Railroad, with drawing-room car attached, connecting at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Montreal, with sleeping car attached.

4:35 P. M. Express Train via Harlem Railroad, for Albany and Troy, connecting at Albany with Western trains. Sleeping cars attached at Albany.

6:30 P. M. Express Train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping cars attached, and through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars. Also sleeping cars every day, except Saturdays, without change, via Rome, W. and O. Railroad. Connection for Troy will be made at East Albany. This train will run on Sundays.

11 P. M. Train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping cars attached, connecting at Albany with early trains for Buffalo and Suspension Bridge, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga and points North.

A Sunday train will be run via Hudson River Railroad from New-York to Poughkeepsie and intermediate stations, leaving New-York at 9 A. M. Returning, leaves Poughkeepsie at 3 P. M., arriving in New-York at 6:20.

Also, a Sunday train via Harlem Railroad, leaving 42d-st. at 9 A. M., and arriving at Millerton at 3:40 P. M. Returning, leaves Millerton at 4:30 P. M., arriving at New-York at 12 M.

WM. H. VANDERBILT, Vice-President.

NORTHERN RAILROAD OF NEW-JERSEY.—Trains will leave New-York by the Pavonia Ferry, foot of Chambers-st., as follows: At 9 A. M., 1, 4:15, 5:15 and 6:30 P. M. And Saturdays, only 12, midnight. The 1 and 4:15 P. M. run through to Monsey.

Nov. 2, 1868. THOS. W. DEMAREST, Supt.

SHIPPING.

FOR MOBILE,
VIA FERNANDINA ROUTE.
The Florida Railroad Company will dispatch the side-wheel steamer
FLAG, Capt. HOFFMAN.
On WEDNESDAY, Feb. 10, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 29 North River, foot of Warren-st. Cargo delivered without lighterage at Mobile. Is now receiving. Insurance guaranteed at one and a half per cent. to Mobile. Through rates and bills of lading given to Selma, Montgomery, and all points in the interior at lower rates than any other line.

His splendid cabin accommodations for passengers going to Florida or the Gulf Ports.

For freight or passage, apply to
J. F. PATTERSON, Agent,
No. 174 Chambers-st.

FOR SAVANNAH, SEMI-WEEKLY.
BLACK STAR INDEPENDENT LINE.
OPPOSITION TO MONOPOLY.
The first-class steamship HUNTSVILLE will leave Pier No. 13 North River, on SATURDAY, Feb. 6, at 3 P. M.
For freight or passage apply to
J. LOWDEN, Agent, No. 92 West-st.
Cabin passage $25.

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C., THE ELOPOSTAL AND THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST.—REGULAR LINE.—The fast and elegant side-wheel steamship MAGNOLIA, M. B. CROWELL, Commander, will be dispatched on THURSDAY, Feb. 4, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 8 North River. Cabin passage reduced to $15. Through bills of lading to all points South and Southwest. Agents in Charleston RAVENEL & CO.) forward all goods free of commission.

ARTHUR LEARY, No. 72 William-st.

The steamship SARAGOSSA will sail on the following THURSDAY.

HAVANA, SISAL AND VERA CRUZ.—New-York and Mexican Mail Steamship Line sailing every twenty days. The splendid new steamship CITY OF MEXICO, Capt. JOHN DRAKEN, will leave Pier No. 17 East River, on THURSDAY, Feb. 18, at 10 A. M. Passage to Havana, $65 in currency. For freight or passage apply to
F. ALEXANDRE & SONS, No. 44 Beaver-st.

CLAIRVOYANTS.

MME. LA BLANCHE, THE GREAT UNrivaled and scientific medical Clairvoyant and Seeress of the nineteenth century, can be consulted on past, present and future, lucky numbers, likeness of future husband or wife; the wonderful Persian charm or amulet causing speedy marriage. Residence and office 115 West 28th-st., between 6th and 7th avs.

A TEST.—MRS. VANHORN, THE GREAT INdependent business and medical Clairvoyant, has the great Egyptian Talisman to cause love, speedy marriages, prosperity in business; reveals all events through life, your thoughts as you enter; likeness and name, $50,000 reward for any one who can equal her. 204 West 34th-st., below 7th-av. Gents not admitted.

MADAME ROSS, MEDICAL AND Business Clairvoyant, tells name and shows likeness of future husband; brings together those long separated. 164 West 27th-st., between 6th and 7th avs.

165 BOWERY.—MME. WIDGER, CLAIRvoyant, tells all you want to know, losses, journeys, sickness. Medicine for all diseases. $2.

HORSES AND CARRIAGES.

CARRIAGES, VELOCIPEDES, SLEIGHS.
ALL STYLES. GREAT BARGAINS.
Harness, hats, robes, &c., at warerooms of GALVIN WITTY, No. 633 Broadway.
A lobel second-hand carriages for sale cheap.

A BARGAIN.—THREE CANADIAN PONies, sound and kind, 14½ hands, from 6 to 8 years; two wagons, good as new, one with top; two sets of harness; sold cheap. Apply at No. 68 7th-av., corner of 15th-st.

HORSES, TRUCK AND HARNESS will be sold at a bargain; also one good horse for express or milk wagon. Apply at West 14th-st., second door below 10th-av.

HORSE FOR SALE—$125; OR WILL EXchange for a large one. No. 54 Waite-st., near Hudson.

A NICE, HANDY, PRIVATE FAMILY coach, very cheap; must be sold. At stables, 44th-st. and 5th-av. Price $250.

A SPLENDID CHESTNUT-COL. ored horse, 6 years old, for sale. Inquire at JOHN GREEN'S, No. 332 3d-av., corner of 29th-st.

COUNTRY REAL ESTATE.

VALUABLE FARM FOR SALE.

In the town of Hyde Park, Dutchess County, N. Y. The farm and premises formerly owned by Walter Pickett, deceased, will be sold at public auction, at the Court-house in the City of Poughkeepsie, on the 2d day of March, 1869, at 12 o'clock noon. The premises consist of about 200 acres of land, lying at the Hudson River, and within less than one mile from the Staatsburg Depot, on the Hudson River Railroad. The title is indisputable, and the sale is made by the executrix to close the estate.

For information, inquire of the subscriber, at the residence of James W. Colwell, 126th-st., between 2d and 3d avs., Harlem, N. Y., or of H. M. TAYLOR, Esq., at his office in Poughkeepsie.

Mrs. D. M. PICKETT, Executrix, &c.

JAN. 16, 1869.

ACRES! ACRES! ACRES!

TO CAPITALISTS.—For investment, 100 per cent. profit can be made on land lying along the Sawmill River Valley, between Yonkers and Dobbs' Ferry. A railroad is already surveyed through the grounds; 500 acres for sale on which are good improvements. Apply to WALTER UNDERHILL, Main-st., Yonkers, N. Y.

FOR SALE—A FIRST-CLASS COUNTRY seat, consisting of a large, new and stylish house and seven acres of lawn and fruit, beautifully situated near the water, at Orienta, Westchester County, one hour from 27th-st., via New-Haven Railroad, and only a short distance from the proposed Perichester Railroad; will be sold low or exchanged for productive New-York or Brooklyn property.

Also, for sale near the above, a furnished cottage, with stable and one acre of land.

HALSTED & STILES,
Nos. 43 and 45 White-st.

FOR SALE—AT HUNTINGTON, LONG ISland, a valuable estate, located on Huntington Bay, 3 miles from the village, and 3½ miles from the depot; near the elegant residence of Alfred Mulligan, Esq.; having fine views of Long Island Sound and the adjoining country. The farm contains 90 acres of valuable land, embracing several handsome building sites, and has a ¼ mile front on the Bay. Two apple orchards and abundance of small fruit on the place; two-story house, well built, containing eight rooms; large barn, sheds and other outbuildings; immediate possession may be had; price $40,000, one-third cash. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

A CHANCE SELDOM MET WITH.—For sale or to let, furnished or unfurnished, one of the most complete, convenient and healthy residences near New-York; only forty minutes from Wall-st.; all the modern conveniences, with stable and fine garden, and fine view; would not be sold on any account but for the owner going to Europe; terms moderate, payment easy. For particulars, send to Box No. 3,606 New-York City Post Office.

FOR SALE—AT BLACK ROCK, NEAR Bridgeport, Conn., the residence of D. Ellsworth, Esq.; a very neat and convenient cottage of one acre of ground, with wash-house, carriage-house, barn and cow-house; the house contains 10 rooms, parlors with folding doors; the household furniture, horse, carriage, sleigh, &c., will be sold with the premises; hot and cold water; a fine view of the Sound in front; early possession will be given. Apply to
HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st., New-York.

FOR SALE—A BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY seat among the Berkshire Hills, at Lenox, Mass.; price, $50,000.

Also, a fine country residence on Geneva Lake, N. Y.; price $50,000.

Also, a large estate at Pittsfield, Mass., suitable for a retired gentleman; price $60,000.

Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

ORANGE, N. J.—VILLAS, VILLA SITES and farms, a great variety, beautifully situated one hour from New-York, for sale now. Also, country seats and houses to let for the season, or year, by BLACKWELL & SMITH, No. 243 Broadway, New-York, 10 A. M.; Orange, corner Main and Cone sts., 1 to 5 P. M.

$13,000.—ONE OF THE CHEAPest and best milk farms in Orange County, 226 acres, good buildings, fruit, &c., with 31 cows, 3 horses, all the farming utensils, dairy fixtures, &c.; terms easy.

T. H. BORLAND, No. 14 Chambers-st.

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN—A CONvenient cottage, in good order, containing 10 rooms; fine lawn; three acres of land; commodious stable and outbuildings; very desirably located, within two minutes' walk of depot, and only forty minutes from New-York, via Morris and Essex Railroad. Apply at 40 Dey-st.

DESIRABLE REAL ESTATE AT Orange, N. J.
HAMILTON & WALLIS,
No. 9 Nassau-st., corner Pine.

ABSOLUTE SALE OF 70-ACRE farm, near Rye Seminary, at Portchester, at Merchants' Exchange, MONDAY, Feb. 8. Maps with JAMES M. MILLER, No. 28 Pine-st.

BEAUTIFUL BUILDING PLOTS 10 or 20 acres, finely located, high ground, Central-av., ¼ of a mile from McComb's Dam, cheap, terms to suit. W. P. REYNOLDS, No. 1 Broadway.

PLAINFIELD, N. J.—FOR SALE—A COTtage 30x35, lot 75x90; pleasantly located; five minutes' walk from depot. Price $10,000.

W. C. BUTLER, No. 50 Dey-st.

HOUSES & ROOMS WANTED.

FURNISHED HOUSE WANTED—AT Hoboken or Fort Washington, for a period of one year from 1st of April or May next; must have improved grounds and stable accommodation. Address Post Office Box No. 2,178, stating location and terms.

HOUSE WANTED.—A FAIR PRICE WILL be paid for a good three or four story house, furnished or unfurnished, between 34th and 54th sts., Lexington and 4th avs. Address, stating location and lowest price, J. ROLLO, Box *No. 175 Times* Office.

PROPOSALS.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed proposals will be received until 11 o'clock A. M. SATURDAY, the 6th day of February next, by the undersigned, at the Bassox-st. Depot, in Hackensack, N. J., for the graduation of culverts, bridges and track of the Hackensack and New-York Extension Railroad, to a point near the New-York State line, a distance of about 9½ miles.

The maps, profile plans and specifications of the above work may be seen at the office of L. W. Post, Chief Engineer, in Hudson City, N. J., until the 3d of February, and afterward at the Depot in Hackensack.

The Company reserve the right to reject any proposals which they may deem it for their interest not to accept.

D. P. PATTERSON, President,
H. and N. Y. Ext. R. R. Co.

DATED, New-York, Jan. 25, 1869.

MISCELLANEOUS.

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF METROPOLITAN POLICE, No. 300 MULBERRY-ST.
NEW-YORK, Aug. 19, 1868.

INFORMATION IS WANTED AT this office relative to a "lengshoreman's" knife-sheath. The sheath is now from 1⅛ to 1¼ inches wide, and 8¾ inches long, but appears to have been longer, and cut down by an inexperienced hand. It is desirable to have it identified by the maker or some person who may have seen it. The seam is not on the side, as is usual, but on the edge. It may be seen at this office from 2 to 7 P. M. daily. GEO. W. DILKS, Office Inspector.

TO PARTIES HAVING INTERESTS in Cuba.—An experienced chemist, who can give the highest testimonials as to his professional skill and his integrity of character, expects to leave New-York Feb. 11, and spend two months in Cuba. Persons wishing to employ him professionally will address Post Office Box No. 4,175.

ZERO REFRIGERATOR; BEAUTY. Range, Gothic Furnace. A. M. LESLIE, No. 605 4th-av. Special attention to repairing Refrigerators and Ranges of all makers.

STEAMBOATS.

FOR BOSTON, VIA NEWPORT AND FALL RIVER.
BY THE OLD FALL RIVER LINE,
BETWEEN
NEW-YORK AND BOSTON,
NEWPORT, FALL RIVER, TAUNTON, NEW BEDFORD AND CAPE COD TOWNS AND NANTUCKET.

Rates of fare and freight always as low as by any other regular line.

One of the Magnificent Steamboats,
NEWPORT or OLD COLONY,
Leaves Pier No. 28 North River, foot of Murray-st., at 4 P. M. daily, Sundays excepted.

By this route passengers can take train from Newport at 4 A. M., and arrive in Boston at 810 A. M., in time to connect with all Northern and Eastern trains, or rest undisturbed, breakfast on board, and take 7:45 A. M. train, and arrive in Boston at early business hours.

E. LITTLEFIELD, Agent,
NEW-YORK, Aug. 19, 1868. No. 72 Broadway, N. Y.

STONINGTON LINE,
TO BOSTON AND PROVIDENCE.
GREAT INSIDE ROUTE—SHORTEST AND MOST DIRECT.

Fare always as low as by any other line.
The new and elegant side-wheel steamers
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INTERNAL REVENUE.

Collections for Six Months in the Fifth, Seventh and Eighth Internal Revenue Districts.

We give below additional returns of collections in the Internal Revenue Department for the six months ending Jan. 1, 1869. The districts from which the exhibits are furnished are the Fifth (comprising the Seventh, Tenth, Thirteenth and Fourteenth Wards;) the Seventh, comprising the Eleventh and Seventeenth Wards;) and the Eighth, (comprising the Eighteenth, Twentieth and Twenty-first Wards) of this City. It will be seen that the Eighth District foots up an exceedingly large amount, being $2,602,958 41 for the last six months of 1868. This district has the largest income tax of any district in the Union, it being the residence of the most wealthy of our citizens. It is found that the whisky tax has largely increased in this district since the new law reducing the tax from $2 to 50 cents per gallon went into operation. In the months of May, June, July, and August, 1867, when the tax was $2 per gallon, there was collected here the sum of $64,229 56; but in the same months for 1868, the amount of tax collected had swelled to $274,560 12, the tax being still $2. For September, October, November, and December, 1867, the amount collected was $159,639 54; but for the same months of 1868, when the tax had been reduced to 50 cents, the amount collected was $445,307 76. There are only two distilleries now being operated in the district, and these not regularly. Whenever the price of whisky increases, these establishments, like other distilleries throughout the City, are run to their utmost capacity; but when it decreases, they cease work, so that there is no accurate method of estimating what amount of tax can yearly be collected from the whisky manufacture in this section of the City. In the Seventh District, where but a few years since fourteen distilleries were being operated; there is now but one, so that the tax yield from this source is comparatively small. It is noticeable that the returns from the tobacco tax have largely increased of late. This is owing to the fact that the new law regulating the impost on tobacco, which went into operation on the 23d of last November, has had the effect of squelching those peripatetic venders and small retailers of tobacco and cigars, termed in the trade "block-ade runners," who sold in minute quantities, and never paid one cent of tax to the Government. Under the new law, tobacco packages of all kinds must have on them an internal revenue stamp, which requirement was not heretofore imperative. The tobacco dealer who sells tobacco of any character in unstamped packages renders his property liable to seizure and confiscation under the provisions of the late enactment, whereas, formerly, the manufacturer alone was held responsible for the payment of the Government tax. Of course, the retailer will now refuse to purchase from the manufacturer unless the goods offered are properly stamped as required by law, and thus the manufacturer is compelled to comply with the governmental requirement before he can dispose of his wares. The stamps for this purpose, as well as for boxes of cigars, are now only to be had at the revenue offices. Formerly the cigar stamps were put on by the assistant assessors, and whether the Government ever realized more than one-fourth of the proceeds of the sales of such stamps is a very doubtful question. Under the new law things are working much better, and the Government is beginning to realize great benefit from the change. In the Fifth District alone the sale of stamps for the month of January just past is upward of $27,000. The manufacturers are allowed until the 15th of this month (February) to work up whatever old stock of chewing and smoking tobacco they may have on hand, but on and after that date, the demands of the new law will become imperative. The "income" tax collections are also being more punctually paid than in previous years. Mr. SPALDING, Collector of the Eighth, is of opinion that he will be able to have all he collect within one-quarter of one per cent. of all the tax that may be assessed in his district—the heaviest in the country in this particular.

In the tables given below the "cents" column is omitted in the return from the Seventh District. In the Eighth, under the head of "manufactures," are included the taxes paid by the Manhattan and the New-York Gas Light Companies for the product of their respective establishments. "Schedule A" comprises the tax on watches, carriages, billiard tables, &c.

FIFTH DISTRICT.

Seventh, Tenth, Thirteenth and Fourteenth Wards.—Jos. Hoxie, Collector.

1868.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Spirits	$3,886 94	$16,107 76	$6,336 82
Tobacco	13,547 14	9,744 74	11,880 11
Fermented Liquors	1,591 10	2,185 10	1,894 40
Banks and bankers	5,549 17	9889 63	690 12
Gross receipts	2,538 36	1,849 32	2,524 16
Sales	16,417 18	3,418 14	2,895 15
Special taxes	10,725 65	20,352 45	1,567 53
Incomes	82,253 20	12,762 90	1,041 30
Legacies	124 74	....	....
Successions	434 02	200 00	2,176 00
Schedule A	405 55	465 60	25 00
Unprovided for	183 85	578 17	12 25
Penalties	127 16	1,965 57	101 15
Total	$93,779 79	$82,243 95	$31,463 19

1868.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Spirits	$17,841 08	$5,980 66	$3,923 54
Tobacco	12,356 94	14,715 26	22,816 38
Fermented liquors	1,184 00	2,072 00	1,200 70
Bank or bankers	583 70	191 50	1,000 84
Gross receipts	3,049 31	3,497 67	2,187 37
Sales	19,698 89	5,015 48	3,871 49
Special Taxes	1,651 66	695 51	716 66
Incomes	683 20	176 15	2,947 20
Legacies	1,739 35	....	247 40
Successions	1,274 02	179 00	332 50
Schedule A	33 00	27 00	21 00
Unprovided for	99 20	262 60	352 80
Penalties	158 97	685 25	120 51
Total	$60,352 85	$33,828 37	$39,278 39

Total for six months, $340,945 54.

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

Eleventh and Seventeenth Wards.—Marshall B. Blake, Collector.

1868.	July.	August.	Sept.
Spirits	$2,104	$4,438	$1,478
Tobacco	27,527	34,200	39,819
Fermented liquors	7,698	6,378	7,229
Banks, &c	1,524	7,222	220
Gross receipts	910	822	978
Sales	3,287	857	504
Special taxes	19,764	4,976	2,213
Income	125,309	10,461	723
Schedule A	3,831	542	20
Penalties	48	863	105
Manufactures	97	....	....
Legacies	....	....	....
Succession	200	....	80
Total	$202,849	$71,879	$53,040

1868.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Spirits	$27,638	$88,899	$10,072
Tobacco	41,538	90,045	79,699
Fermented liquors	6,980	6,599	6,492
Banks, &c	220	188	183
Gross receipts	886	589	424
Sales	3,537	935	407
Special taxes	477	653	392
Income	1,025	574	249
Schedule A	111	27	3
Penalties	3,700	361	244
Manufactures	....	....	....
Legacies	152	280	121
Successions	140	180	....
Total	86,717	129,903	98,316

Total for six months, $642,404.

EIGHTH DISTRICT.

Eighteenth, Twentieth and Twenty-first Wards.—Alexander Spalding, Collector.

1868.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Incomes	$1,221,267 60	$196,016 85	$61,277 51
Special taxes	55,681 59	7,182 26	10,537 81
Schedule A	34,491 04	5,679 30	1,415 15
Penalties	3,176 22	2,534 26	....
Manufactures	27,005 66	39,588 07	22,015 86
Legacies	7,188 18	....	488 46
Successions	127 04	264 80	....
Spirits	67,629 97	7,677 32	52,847 69
Tobacco	1,092 71	2,063 93	3,253 34
Fermented liquors	5,888 41	3,387 34	3,164 57
Banks, &c	3,702 89	1,279 45	782 99
Gross receipts	8,350 40	11,271 79	14,034 84
Sales	9,442 64	10,004 85	1,247 14
Total	$1,546,443 38	$289,339 26	$151,556 78

1868.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Incomes	$19,144 81	$69,446 25	$11,807 16
Special taxes	1,542 49	457 47	449 84
Schedule A	1,114 30	568 20	252 75
Penalties	1,639 95	1,836 18	227 71
Manufactures	28,246 81	88,713 12	44,023 64
Legacies	7,714 69	1,942 48	720 00
Successions	1,098 94	1,833 34	1,248 00
Spirits	91,396 53	90,023 66	120,945 48
Tobacco	7,212 30	3,999 17	10,738 25
Fermented liquors	6,979 51	5,523 16	4,936 47
Banks, &c	982 76	775 37	701 53
Gross receipts	13,480 04	16,322 03	16,158 04
Sales	7,888 99	2,944 68	1,746 65
Total	$185,362 15	$327,631 31	$212,615 51

Total for six months, $2,602,958 41.

LABOR MOVEMENTS.

The Printers' Strike.

The book and job printers on strike held a meeting yesterday at Botanic Hall No. 68 East Broadway, and received the usual reports of Vigilance Committees, with the names of additional firms who have given their adherence to the new scale of prices. Great satisfaction was expressed at the recent compliance of the New-York Printing Company with their demands. There are now but very few strikers left, the great majority of those who lately quitted work having returned at the rates demanded. Several of the leading firms of employers, however, who still resist the demands of the journeymen, are partially bare of hands; but each day brings new accessions of applicants from other cities in reply to the advertisements published. These new types prove often inefficient, and a process of weeding from among them is going on. Messrs. JOHN A. GRAY & CO. have opened a training school at their office for women and boys. Twenty-seven of these are now at work, three-quarters of whom are women. They are all paid the value of the work they perform. Additional cases are being made to accommodate others and one result of the late strike will be that the printing profession will receive a [illegible] of [illegible] who, when [illegible] did not relinquish work. They number but thirty, and a strike on their part would have no effect upon employers.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 3, 1869.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

As Secretary of the Executive Committee of the Employing Printers of this City, I take the liberty to inform you that the employers engaged on book and job work are rapidly filling the places of the men on the strike by new hands from other cities and towns. Several employers report to me to-day that they have nearly all the compositors they want, and we expect in a few days more to have all the help we need and to spare. Yours, &c.,

JOHN P. BALDWIN, Secretary.

The Sailors' Strike.

The sailors' strike was without new developments yesterday, the rain having delayed action among the participants. The *West*, a British vessel for Liverpool, and a Bremen bark, both shipped crews at $35 a month for able seamen. This was $5 more than they had previously paid, but $5 less than the Union demands. The men did not belong to the Union. A meeting will be held to-night at Military Hall, No. 193 Bowery.

THE ROGERS MURDER.

The Case Against the Station-house Lodger—What is Urged in his Favor.

The Police continue the attempt to make a mystery of the latest phase of the Rogers murder, and still persist in the refusal to give to the public the evidence they have tending to show that the Station-house lodger, JOHN ROBINSON, is the murderer. The case of the prosecution, however, has partially leaked out, and appears to be nothing more than was outlined in the TIMES of Tuesday last. The ex-Policeman of the Twenty-ninth Precinct, EVERETT B. DELANOY, residing at No. 146 West Twenty-ninth-street, who now appears in the *rôle* of an *attaché* of some vessel, appears to be the main reliance of the State in making up a case against ROBINSON. His story is substantially as has been told in the TIMES. He identifies the coat and hat left by the murderer as articles he gave to ROBINSON when he was known as JOHN MAHER; and, to do so, describes the stains on the inside lining of the sleeve of the coat as paint instead of blood, and further pretends that before he gave the hat to his bummer friend he had taken the trouble to put a peculiar mark on the leather lining, and this mark he says he found on the hat of the murderer. He explains that the marks on the sleeve lining, which have been supposed to have been made by blood, but are now declared to be paint, he got there while painting his vessel. These stains are as far up the coat-sleeve as the elbow, and ex-Policeman DELANOY has not so far particularized as to state that it was his habit to turn his coat wrong side out while doing rough work, and thus make it possible for him to spatter his sleeve lining so liberally with paint.

The faith of the authorities in the ROBINSON scheme to have been materially shaken within the last twenty-four hours, but it has not been entirely abandoned, as will be seen from the advertisement of Superintendent KENNEDY asking the person who can identify the owner of a certain sheath of a longshoreman's knife to call at the Central Police Office. But while he does this, the Superintendent admitted yesterday that the case against ROBINSON was by no means impregnable, and seemed to incline to the opinion that the murderer must be found in some one of the name of LOGAN. The man ROBINSON never bore the name, even as an *alias*, nor that of "Jim," and a stumbling-block has been found in the assumption that the taller outlaw did not know the name of his comrade when he called out, "Jim, don't do it." It must be understood, however, that the Police do not attach much of the statement made public as that of the witness DELANOY, but, on the contrary, deny the truth of a great deal of that which appeared in a journal of yesterday. And they claim, too, that they have evidence of which the public have no inkling, and it is understood that it is the intention to submit all of the evidence to the Grand Jury now in session. If that body shall find an indictment against ROBINSON as the murderer of ROGERS, the evidence upon which it is founded will be made public; but if the contrary result ensue, it will never see the light if the Police can prevent.

While the case for the State seems to grow more unsubstantial even to official vision, that of the defense, as a necessary consequence, becomes stronger. It is not denied that the alleged assassin is a Station-house "bummer," and it is a matter of official record that he sleeps in the Fourteenth Precinct Station-house on the nights prior to and succeeding the murder. It is also matter of official knowledge that in all the Station-houses of the City the lodgers are turned out at daylight. There is no evidence as to the exact moment at which the lodgers are turned out of the Fourteenth Precinct Station-house on the morning of the 31st of December, except that it could not have been before 6:30 o'clock, nor later than 6:45 o'clock. The Station-house named is in Spring-street, between Mulberry and Mulberry streets, and the distance from that point to the scene of the murder in East Twelfth-street, between University-place and Broadway, is, by measurement on the City map, a full mile by the most direct route which can be traveled. As the lodger, ROBINSON, certainly did not leave the Station-house until 6:30 o'clock, and the murder was as surely accomplished at a quarter or ten minutes before seven, it is evident that he must have walked very briskly when doing that mile, and had not a moment to spare even then. But Station-house lodgers never walk briskly, never walk at all, in fact, but saunter or lounge along the streets, having in view the sole purpose of consuming the utmost possible amount of time in doing anything they may have in hand. If ROBINSON had known the previous night, or when going out of the Station-house in the morning, that ROGERS was to be out in his area at daylight, with a valuable watch in his pocket, it is admitted he might have strained a point to reach him and become possessed of it, but it is conceded that the robbery was an impromptu affair, and the murder an unpremeditated consequence.

This shortness of the time in which a "bummer" was required to do a mile is urged as one offset to the long-delayed revelations of Ex-Policeman DELANOY, who seems to have spoken even at this late date only upon a promise of retirement in the force as the price of his tale. But this is only one of the many offsets which are urged, and every one of which tends to weaken the story of the witness who is anxious to efface the ex from his prefixes. Of course, the declarations of the prisoner himself are not evidence, but it is certain that ROBINSON has declared, under circumstances when he was not likely to dissemble, that he had no idea whatever of the nature of the offence with which he was charged.

A few days must determine the exact value of the revelations of DELANOY, but it is admitted by police officers of long experience and large capacity that it now seems that the Rogers investigation has been again muddled.

The Excise Law in Brooklyn.

The Central Temperance Association of Kings County held a meeting on Tuesday night, at No. 9 Court-street, and adopted the following preamble and resolutions, offered by Mr. J. N. STEARNS:

Whereas, The Metropolitan Excise law has now been in operation a little over thirty-one months, yielding a revenue of $4,067,608 16, diminishing arrests on Sunday more than one-half, bringing blessings to the poor man and working classes, lessening taxation, and giving us quiet Sabbaths; and,

Whereas, Various bills have been introduced into the present Legislature for the modification or repeal of the law in the interest of the liquor tariff, and for opening the Sabbath once more for its disorderly and corrupting influences; therefore,

Resolved, That we earnestly and emphatically protest against any such repeal or modification, and call upon all friends of law and order and quiet Sabbaths, to sustain the law and the officers in its faithful execution.

Resolved, That the thanks of the community are due to the Metropolitan Board of Police for the energy, firmness and fidelity displayed in the execution of this law against the combined opposition of the elements of evil in our midst, and we pledge them our aid and support in all honest and faithful endeavors to enforce the law.

Rev. GEO. LANSING TAYLOR, President ROBERTS and other members offered remarks warmly indorsing the resolutions.

Mr. Greeley's Lecture on Abraham Lincoln.

Mr. GREELEY's lecture yesterday evening, for the benefit of widows and orphans of soldiers and sailors was, on account of the weather, not very well attended.

The lecture was a sketch of LINCOLN's life, with occasional observations and expressions of opinions on topics that the narrative suggested.

Apropos of Mr. LINCOLN's deficient education Mr. GREELEY said: "The majority of our great men have had only a common school education, some of them less than this. What did LINCOLN lose by not having an early education? I only raise the question. Let others answer it. If he had lived to be seventy years old I think he would have lost all his hesitation and rawness. Our tall backwoodsmen needed only a sheepskin appropriately inscribed with hieroglyphics, to give his two flatboat trips the value of a liberal education in all that is necessary for successful intercourse with his fellow-men. He owed his political success in part to his earnest partisanship; in part to his original powers, learned not from books, but in a better school, the American stump. Without the stump, I doubt the possibility of maintaining institutions more than nominally Republican. The American stump fills the place of the French *coup d' état* and of the Spanish-American *pronunciamento*." The speaker said that Mr. LINCOLN's dogged resolution not to believe that fighting was necessary, was the cause of his apathy in the first month of his Presidency, the cause of the fatal delay of the advance on Richmond, and the consequent rout at Bull Run. "That disaster," said Mr. GREELEY, "cost President LINCOLN one night's sleep. It cost me twelve." He thought that Mr. LINCOLN did not make as many overtures of peace as he himself would have done. He was not sure that the course pursued toward VALLANDIGHAM was right.

A Wealthy Resident of Hudson County, N. J., Asked to Pay $40,000 for Breach of Promise.

A suit brought by Mrs. MARY A. HARRISON, a widow lady, to recover $40,000 damages against GEORGE VREELAND, a widower, for breach of promise, was commenced in the Hudson County Supreme Court yesterday, before his Honor, Judge BEDLE. The parties in the case are residents of Greenville, the plaintiff being about 40 years of age, while the defendant—a wealthy man—has passed his 80th year, and has been a life-long resident of his present place of abode. The case, as all scandal cases do, excites a great deal of interest, and, as a consequence, the court-room was filled with interested spectators during the entire day.

Mr. J. DIXON, Jr., appeared for plaintiff, and Hon. CORTLAND PARKER and JAMES FLEMING, Esq., for the defendant.

The declaration sets forth that this action was brought to recover damages for a breach of a contract of marriage; that on the 9th of January, 1866, defendant engaged to marry plaintiff whenever so required; second, that defendant promised to marry plaintiff within a reasonable time; third, that defendant promised to marry plaintiff as soon as a certain (divorce) suit was decided between him and CAROLINE E. VREELAND, and finally, that he promised to marry plaintiff on the 1st of June, 1867, all of which he failed to perform:

Mrs. Harrison was first placed on the stand and testified that she had lived in Greenville during the past twelve years; that her husband had been dead one year when she first commenced to reside there; she had obtained a livelihood for herself and her daughter by teaching school; she related the circumstances which led to her acquaintance with Mr. Vreeland; she first spoke to him in 1862, in making application to borrow $50, which he lent her upon the security of a legacy which had been bequeathed her; subsequently in the Spring of 1863 the defendant called upon her and proposed marriage; the month of July, 1863, was fixed for the time when they should be united; frequently talked upon the subject, but the time arrived and the defendant was not prepared to make his offer good; in the month of September, of the same year, he began to complain of the interference of his children and relatives; she told him that if he was to be influenced in that way against her she did not want to come into his family, when he replied that he would not give her up to please anybody; the defendant frequently called upon her until the Spring of 1864, asking her to have patience with him, for he would soon be able to marry her; witness had in 1863 given up her school, and when she reminded him of this, he said he would remunerate her for her loss and proposed to give her $1,000; she consented to take the money; when he brought the money he also presented a paper, which he desired her to sign; she kept the paper a few days, took a copy of it, and signed it, delivering it to him with the signature attached; she told him when she gave it to him that it sounded like a release from his promise, and remarked that if he had desired to be relieved he should have said so at an earlier day; he replied that he did not want a release, and that he would never give her up on any consideration; witness told him that she could not remain in that position, and that if he was ready to get married she was; he continued his calls as formerly, at intervals of about a week between each visit until in the Spring of 1865; he said that he had been unlucky in losing a large amount, and that when he had settled that matter they would be married; during the Summer of 1865 he was more attentive and kind than she had ever known him to be; he soon afterward went to New-York to live, and in November he was brought home in a state of illness; soon after he returned a lady called at witness' house and represented herself as his wife; witness then wrote to defendant, and he came to her house as soon as he was able to do so, about five weeks afterward; he then said that the woman was not his wife; that he was only living with her; to which witness replied that in such a case she would have no more to say to him; at this Mr. Vreeland seemed to be greatly displeased, and asked her forgiveness for his bad conduct; he confessed that he had treated her shamefully, but he said she must give him her "forgiveness, sympathy and aid," he would try to do better and that he would marry her; he said that he was "the victim of a d—d conspiracy," that the woman, Mrs. Shelley, wanted to prove that she was married to him and that it was in witness' power to prove that fact; witness then consented to help him if he would lead "a decent and respectable life" and marry her on the following Christmas; he promised to do so and she consented to become a witness for him; he continued to plead his cause; after the trial was finished he came to see her, and told her that she had saved one-third of his property and that he "ought not only to marry her, but to worship her;" he then began to plead for more time to perform his marriage contract, and told her that Mrs. Shelley had three years time in which to appeal the case, and that if she should then gain it she would arrest him for bigamy; he spoke of having Mrs. Shelley indicted for perjury and sent to prison, but witness suggested that she would be sent to Callahan's; he then said that he had offered to go if Mr. Vreeland would pay her expenses; negotiations were entered into to get the woman to go, but they were broken off by Mr. Vreeland, who said that witness must wait three years, or, if she preferred to commence a suit, she might do so; that he would fight her to the last. Upon cross-examination the witness stated that in the first commencement of the courtship there were no "love passages;" subsequently there were many; Vreeland had given her money at two different times, besides the one thousand dollars; the first time he gave her fifty dollars to purchase a new set of teeth; and after the suit with Mrs. Shelley was finished, he gave her $250 to commence a suit against the *Sunday Mercury* for libel; she gave the money to Mr. Whiting, Mr. Vreeland's counsel in the Shelley case, and he still had it, the suit not being brought against the newspaper. In reply to the question whether the defendant was a very ardent lover, the witness replied that he was, an assertion which produced loud laughter in the court-room. He never said to her that he was too old to marry, and never told her that he did not intend to marry her; when witness wrote him the letter upon his return from New-York he came to her and seemed to be very much affected, weeping like a child; witness visited Mrs. Shelley three times at her house in New-York; her object was to obtain from that lady the "release" which she had given to Mr. Vreeland; Mrs. Shelley had pledged herself to give it to witness in case she would promise to commence a suit against Vreeland for damages, and divide the amount obtained with Mrs. Shelley; witness would not enter into such an agreement, and could not therefore obtain possession of the paper.

Mrs. Sarah Tuttle, a lady residing in Greenville near the house of Mrs. Harrison, was then called and gave testimony to frequent visits being made by Mr. Vreeland to the plaintiff and to other facts corroborating the testimony of Mrs. Harrison.

The case will be resumed to-day.

The Case of Edward Francis, the Butcher-Cart Thief.

The notorious ruffian, EDWARD FRANCIS, *alias* Gus. Shaw, *alias* Stephen Boyle, whose arrest and antecedents received extended notice in yesterday's TIMES, was arraigned before Justice DOWLING, at the Tombs, yesterday morning, on a charge of felonious assault, preferred against him by Roundsman MALONEY, of the Fourteenth Ward Police, who arrested him on Monday night. The roundsman, in his affidavit, recited the details of his pursuit of the prisoner and his confederate, as already published, adding that as he was running after the butcher cart and its occupants the prisoner several times ordered him to stop or he would shoot him, and that finally FRANCIS did fire one shot from a six-barreled revolver at his person, the bullet missing its object, and that after the cart horse fell in the street, the officer pursued FRANCIS through the crowd and arrested him. The pistol, with five chambers still charged with powder and ball, had been subsequently discovered on his person. The Magistrate accepted the complaint, and as the prisoner made no attempt at denial, he was committed for trial without bail. FRANCIS seems quite anxious to go for trial on this charge of felonious assault, as the five years' State Prison confinement is far preferable to the inevitable life sentence that no doubt would be awarded him in Michigan for the murder of Sheriff OSCUTT. An officer of Kalamazoo County is now on his way to New-York to demand the prisoner on a requisition from Gov. BALDWIN, of Michigan, but whether he will be surrendered or not appears doubtful. Should he not be sent to Michigan, Roundsman MALONEY will fail to receive the $2,000 reward for his capture, which he so well deserves for his courageous conduct in pursuing the robber and arresting him despite the odds against him. The prisoner was arraigned before the Magistrate by direction of the District-Attorney.

Reckless Use of Air-Guns—Two Instances.

Quite an excitement was created on Tuesday afternoon in Broadway, near Duane-street, in consequence of a bullet making an unexpected appearance in the jewelry store of Messrs. WEICHMANN & CO., at No. 310 Broadway. It appears that about 3 o'clock P. M. the inmates of the store were suddenly startled by the large plate glass in the window being pierced by a bullet of small size, which penetrated into the interior of the premises, and finally lodged in the flooring a few feet from the door. The intrusive missile is supposed to have come from an air-gun, though the Broadway Police failed to discover the owner of the weapon; so the affair is yet shrouded in mystery. It was near the same locality that a young man was mysteriously wounded in the arm by a bullet which struck him as he crossed Broadway. No solution of that mystery was had, although a woman was supposed to be implicated in it. Another case of the reckless use of air-guns also occurred the same afternoon, when two small-sized bullets went crashing through the glass panes in the window of S. T. ALBIO, on the corner of Bond-street and the Bowery. Fortunately no person was injured by these bullets, and, as in the Broadway case, the Police failed to discover the person who discharged the weapon.

An Attempt to Rob Railroad Passengers.

A bold attempt was made to rob the passengers on the morning express train, which left New-York, on the Hudson River Railroad, at 8 o'clock yesterday morning. Soon after the train left the station, and while running slow on the avenue, a mob of thieves entered the last car, one of them singing out: "Through passengers take the forward cars." All started to go forward, when the thieves obstructed the doorway and commenced their work. One man, a Mr. BRISBAIN, doing business at No. 42 Dey-street, was robbed of his wallet; another man was robbed of his watch, and an unsuccessful attempt was made to commit a third robbery. All the thieves made their escape.

The Arion Ball.

The masquerade ball of the Arion Vocal Society will be given this evening at the Academy of Music. The ball will commence at 9 o'clock, and will (it is promised) be one of the most brilliant affairs of the season. The following rules have been adopted for the guidance of patrons:

1. No person admitted to the floor until the procession has moved off. 2. Entrance through the main aisle at the centre; exit at the sides. 3. No persons without masks admitted to the floor before 12 o'clock, at which time all masks must be removed. 4. Tickets must be shown whenever required by the Committee. 5. No smoking in any part of the building except the bar-room up stairs; no refreshments allowed to be served, except in the rooms appropriated for that purpose. 6. Supper *à la carte* from 10 o'clock P. M. to the close of the ball. As the Excise law prohibits the sale of wines, &c., after 12 o'clock, visitors will give their orders before that time. 8. Masks, dominos, &c., for hire by Mr. JOS. STOLLWERK, in the room to the right of the entrance. 9. Persons finding lost articles are requested to deliver the same to the Floor Committee. Those losing anything will please report to the same Committee. 10. No return checks will be issued. 11. All hats, (except with costumes or fancy dress,) overcoats and canes must be left in the hat room.

Gen. GRANT and Gov. HAMILTON FISH are expected. Gov. HOFFMAN, Mayor HALL, Gen. MCDOWELL and staff, Gen. FRANZ SIGEL and Gen. SICKLES, as well as other notabilities, will be present.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

New-York.

A public meeting of the Rose Hill Division Sons of Temperance was held last night in the hall of the Order, corner of Eighteenth-street and Eighth-avenue. The exercises consisted of speeches, songs and declamations by members of the Division. The hall was crowded with the young of both sexes, and much enthusiasm was manifested over the progress of the great cause. This was the first public meeting of the Division, and was a very social and interesting occasion.

Mr. JOHN KNOX presided, and speeches were made by Mr. F. G. GEDNEY, H. A. BODINE, Rev. Mr. SANDFORD, Rev. STEPHEN MERRITT, and others. Songs were sung by the Misses BEVINS, LEWIS and MARTIN, and Mr. D. ROBINSON recited "Sheridan's Ride." The performances were very creditable to those who took part in them. At the close of the exercises notice was given that similar meetings would be held every evening hereafter for a time.

The snow-storm which commenced about 1 o'clock yesterday morning, soon turned into sleet, and subsequently into rain, rendering pedestrian locomotion very unpleasant. Rain fell during the greater part of the day, and about 10 P. M. loud claps of thunder were heard, accompanied by vivid flashes of lightning and torrents of rain. A thunder-storm in mid-Winter is an unusual occurrence, indicative of atmospheric perturbations uncommon at this season of the year.

A report existing yesterday that Gen. GRANT had arrived in this City on Tuesday, proves to be untrue.

ALBERT SOHMEYER, of No. 50 Chrystie-street, was attacked in front of his residence last night about 11 o'clock, by a gang of ruffians, and beaten until he was severely injured. He could give no description of his assailants, all of whom escaped.

A fire occurred last evening at No. 43 Dey-street, causing a damage of $500.

Brooklyn.

A bill has been prepared, to be urged for passage by the Legislature, providing for the laying out an entrance to Prospect Park on the east side, near the Willink Mansion. It is proposed that the entrance be in the form of an ellipse, and it will only require the addition of a piece of land about 450 feet long by about 50 in width. The land to be taken will not cost more than $4,000, the expense to be assessed on the adjoining property. It is proposed to continue the drives and bridle-paths through the ellipse and along the southeasterly boundary of the Park, to connect with the proposed new street to be opened along the easterly boundary of the Park.

The Assistant Fire Marshal reports that in January there were twenty-five fires. Of these, eight are attributed to the carelessness of the parties owning or using the premises on which they occurred, fifteen were accidental, and six were incendiary.

The Waverley Literary Association, of which Mr. CHAS. M. WARNER is President, will give a complimentary entertainment this (Thursday) evening at Sawyer's Assembly Rooms, corner Fulton-avenue and Jay-street, Brooklyn. The exercises will consist of music, recitations, tableaux, &c. The affair is strictly complimentary.

The rumor that Lieut. BRAINE has been released is premature. He is yet in the Flatbush Penitentiary, and up to yesterday afternoon the United States District-Attorney of the Eastern District had received no instructions from Washington on the subject. The indictment against BRAINE charges him with murder on the high seas simply, and avers nothing as to the cause he claims to have represented in the capture of the *Chesapeake*. It is urged that if he had a commission from the Confederate Government under which he acted at the time of his alleged offence, he would have been free under the President's General Amnesty Proclamation.

MICHAEL MORIARTY was arrested on a charge of attempted highway robbery yesterday morning, having accosted CASPER FRY, near Red Hook Point, and demanded his money or his life. He was taken before Justice CORNWELL and held for examination.

THOMAS SMITH was tracked to his house by footprints in the snow yesterday morning, and arrested on a charge of burglary, for breaking into the house of Mr. NASH, No. 29 Kent-avenue. He was held for examination.

DAVID O'BRIEN was arrested yesterday, taken before Justice CORNWELL, and held for examination on a charge of arson.

The number of deaths in Brooklyn last week was 150, of which 85 were children under 10 years old.

FLORA H. THOMAS, arrested for being drunk and disorderly, made an unsuccessful attempt to hang herself yesterday morning in the Forty-third Precinct Station-house.

New-Jersey.

On Tuesday morning Mr. JOHN FOSTER, a resident of Huntington, L. I., fell suddenly to the floor in Mrs. MORROW's millinery store, at No. 89 Montgomery-street, Jersey City, and instantly expired. He had come over in the day to visit his daughter, who is employed in the store, and while talking with her fell forward, and when taken up he was found to be quite dead. The cause of his death, according to the opinion of the physician, Dr. CASE, was heart disease, and Coroner WARREN therefore gave a permit for burial without holding inquest.

From the annual message of Mayor GRIER, of Elizabeth, just transmitted to the Common Council, it appears that the permanent debt of the city is $1,266,200, and the value of the city property $441,384. The assessed valuation of real and personal property over liabilities in the city, for the year 1868, amounts to $9,994,750.

An iron gate has been placed at each end of the ferry-boat *James Rumsey*, plying on the Hoboken Ferry, and it is supposed similar gates will be put on the other boats on the same route. The object is to prevent parties from leaping off the boat until she is secured to the bridge.

At the last meeting of the Jersey City Board of Education, a petition signed by 3,000 persons was presented, asking for the employment of German teachers in the public schools. It is supposed the petition will be granted.

About 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, several cars becoming detached from a coal train on the Morris and Essex Railroad, between Chatham and Madison, ran down the grade and came in collision with another coal train, causing a smash up and seriously injuring the engineer and a brakeman. A few of the cars took fire and were destroyed. The injured men, whose names were not ascertained, were conveyed to Morristown.

Col. TREADWELL, the alleged forger of naturalization papers, was yesterday admitted to bail in the sum of $5,000. Senator TAYLOR, of Hudson County, and SAMUEL KAY, of Trenton, became his sureties.

A German peddler named LEOPOLD PFEIFFER, recently convicted in the Essex County Court, of assault with a knife on another peddler named JOSEPH STEINER, and who was out on bail awaiting sentence, attempted to run away on Tuesday night, but was captured and locked up.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, Wednesday, Feb. 3—11 A. M.

Consols open at 93¾ for both money and the account. United States Five-twenty Bonds quiet and steady at 76¾.

Stocks steady. Erie, 25¾; Illinois, 93¾; Atlantic and Great Western, 42¾.

LIVERPOOL, Wednesday, Feb. 3—11 A. M.

COTTON—The market opens buoyant, and the sales of the day are estimated at 15,000 bales. The following are the opening quotations: Middling Uplands 11 9-16d.; Middling Orleans, 12d.

BREADSTUFFS—Wheat, 9s. 9d.@9s. 10d. per cental for No. 3 red Western.

PRODUCE—Tallow declining at 46s. 6d. ₱ cwt.

LONDON, Wednesday, Feb. 3.

Tallow declining, at 47s. ₱ cwt.

LONDON, Wednesday, Feb. 3—1 P. M.

United States Five-twenty Bonds quiet at 76¾. Stocks steady; Erie, 25¾; Illinois, 93¾; Atlantic and Great Western, 42.

LIVERPOOL, Wednesday, Feb. 3—1 P. M.

COTTON—The market is active and prices have advanced ⅛d. ₱ lb.; Middling Uplands, 12d.; Middling Orleans, 12¼d. The sales of the day will exceed the estimate made at the opening, and it is now thought will reach 20,000 bales.

HAVRE, Wednesday, Feb. 3.

COTTON—The market opens buoyant for both Cotton on the spot and afloat. Tres Ordinaire, on the spot, 137f. ₱ cwt.; Low Middlings, afloat, 138f. ₱ cwt.

LIVERPOOL, Wednesday, Feb. 3—1:30 P. M.

COTTON—There has been some business doing in Cotton to arrive to-day. Sales were made at 12d. ₱ lb. for Middling Uplands.

BREADSTUFFS—The market is generally firmer.

LONDON, Wednesday, Feb. 3—4:30 P. M.

Consols close at 93¾ for money, and 93¾ for the account.

United States Five-twenties, 76¾.

Railway Stocks steady; Erie, 25¾; Illinois Centrals, 93¾.

LIVERPOOL, Wednesday, Feb. 3—4:30 P. M.

COTTON—The market closed buoyant at the following quotations:

Middling Uplands.....12d.

Middling Orleans.....12¼d.@12⅛d.

The sales of the day foot up 20,000 bales.

BREADSTUFFS—Corn declined; Old, 33s. 6d.; New, 31s. 9d. ₱ cental. Other articles in the Breadstuffs market closed unchanged.

PROVISIONS—Cheese advanced 6d., and is quoted at 74s. 6d. ₱ cwt. Other articles of Provisions unchanged.

PRODUCE—Linseed Oil is quoted at £30 10s. Petroleum firm and unchanged.

LONDON, Wednesday, Feb. 3—4:30 P. M.

Sugar closed firm, both for on spot and afloat. Tallow has declined 9d., and is quoted at 46s. 3d. Sperm Oil has advanced to £96.

ANTWERP, Wednesday, Feb. 3.

Petroleum firmer; Standard White, 58½f.@59½f.

HAVRE, Wednesday, Feb. 3—Evening.

The market closed active for Cotton on spot and to arrive; quotations unchanged.

LONDON, Wednesday, Feb. 3—7